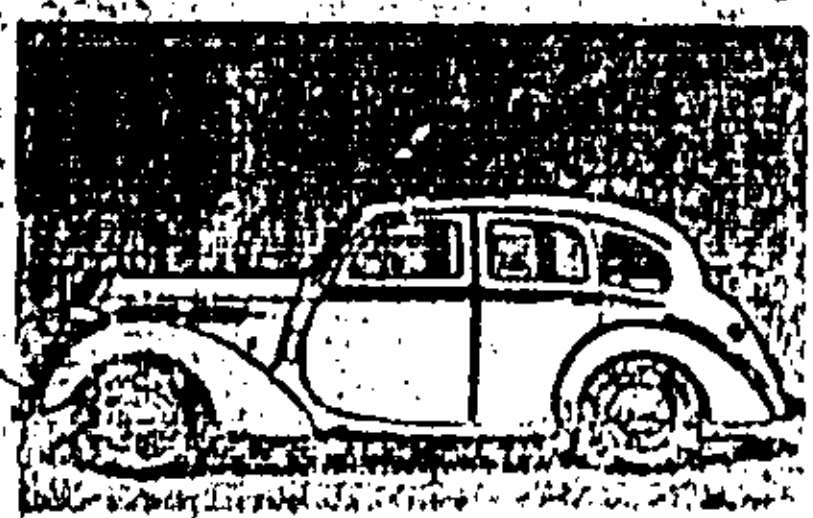


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Other Powers May Join: Britain In Close Consultation With Soviet Russia: German Week-End Thrust Forestalled

WHAT WORLD THINKS

REACTIONS TO DECLARATION

GERMAN NEWSPAPERS bitterly attack Great Britain, while France delight knows no bounds.

The United States sees in the declaration the first open step by Great Britain to check the aggressors in Europe.

Here are some of the reactions, as cabled to Hongkong this morning:

GERMANY

GERMAN DENUNCIATION

The official German New Agency denounces Britain's pledge as a "highly laughable attempt at unrest and to sow mistrust in Europe."

"Germany's work of re-construction in Central Europe cannot be disturbed by such platonic declarations," it says.—United Press.

"Reuter" says the first Berlin paper containing Mr. Chamberlain's declaration appeared at 6 p.m.

A violent anti-British campaign was in full blast yesterday afternoon. The papers have been instructed to stress the similarity of the present occasion with that of May 21 last year, and the alleged ultimatum to Bucharest a fortnight ago.

Such rhetorical statements cannot disturb Germany's work of the construction of Central Europe, declares the German News Agency.

"It is incomprehensible how Mr. Chamberlain came to make such an announcement out of the blue."

"Actually it contains nothing new, because everyone knew for years that France and Britain were bound by the alliance system to stand on Poland's side in a case of armed attack."

Mr. Chamberlain's statement is a laughable attempt to stir up unrest and to sow the seeds of mistrust of Germany in the concert of nations.

There was not the slightest suggestion of an armed attempt by Germany, avers the Agency.—Reuter.

ARIS. The declaration has evoked an ardent reaction among the French. It is considered a great blow to Germany because it is considered a step towards the formation of an anti-Hitler bloc to prevent a repetition of the Czechoslovakian coup.—United Press.

WASHINGTON

Government authorities in Washington consider that Britain's move to Poland means that Britain has thoroughly planned the possibility of further totalitarian expansion and that they are prepared for it instead of words and appeals to reason.

American authorities said Britain's move is stronger than they expected to the pledge being qualified, close to the President's residence. Roosevelt's fears that Chamberlain's statement makes it clear that Germany's continued attack in combination with other powers must be checked.

President feels there is no limit to which the German may be carried on an increase to any part of the world. Some sources emphasized that the world is concerned because of the September agreements.

It is believed that Germany sought to bring only Germans to the conference, they have brought a lot of Slav and dominated.

GERMAN DICTATOR FURIOUS AT PREMIER'S DECLARATION

LONDON, MAR. 31.

THE PRIME MINISTER'S ANNOUNCEMENT DISCLOSING THE REVOLUTIONARY CHANGE IN BRITISH FOREIGN POLICY IS THE MOST MOMENTOUS IN A QUARTER OF A CENTURY.

Mr. Chamberlain declared that Britain and France will fight if Poland's independence is menaced during the present European security consultations and Poland fights back.

He also revealed that Britain has been in close consultation with the Soviet on the same subject.

After the Premier's speech, a Government spokesman indicated that the military pledge may apply to the Polish Corridor and even Danzig.

"ANY ACTION"

He drew attention to the Premier's statement clearly guaranteeing British assistance in the event of "any action."

The United States had been informed of the deliberations. It was further indicated that the British decision eliminates the possibility of Polish-German negotiations on Danzig and the Corridor.

ALL POSSIBLE SUPPORT

Mr. Chamberlain revealed that France had authorised him to make it plain that France is in the same position as Britain.

He specifically said that in the event of any action clearly threatening Polish independence during the present consultations which Poland considered vital to resist, Britain would feel bound immediately to lend all support possible.

He said the Government had no official confirmation of the rumours of a projected attack on Poland, and also pointed out that the Government constantly advocated the adjustment of differences through negotiations.

EXTEND TO OTHERS

Before his announcement in the House, Mr. Chamberlain read his statement to the Soviet Ambassador and United States Ambassador.

Mr. Arthur Greenwood the Labour Member, said the statement "might prove to be as momentous a statement as any made in the House for a quarter of a century."

He urged that a speedy attempt should be made to extend the arrangement to other powers, especially the Soviet.

SPAIN FOR NAZI BLOC

Franco Signs The Anti-Comintern Pact

ROME, Mar. 31.

ALL NEWSPAPERS here print a dispatch from Burgos saying:

"Unofficial sources learn that during the last few days Spain signed the anti-Communist pact which binds it to Germany, Italy, Japan and Manchukuo in the struggle against bolshevism."

Spain's adherence to the anti-Comintern Pact is reported here to be purely political, and non-military.—United Press.

Consulates Close

WASHINGTON, Mar. 31.

The Spanish Ambassador, Senor de los Rios has handed over the keys of the Spanish Embassy to the Colombian Ambassador.

He said the Spanish embassies throughout the nation, including Hawaii and the Philippines, are being given into the custody of the Cuban consulates.—United Press.

Lamp Can Light Town

London. An air cooled mercury discharge lamp, bright enough to light up a whole town, was shown at the conference of the Association of Public Lighting Engineers at Bournemouth, Eng.

Mr. Chamberlain said the visit of the Polish Foreign Minister to London on Monday would afford an opportunity for discussion on the measures which might be made to put an end to aggression and to substitute more orderly methods of discussion.—United Press.

HITLER "FURIOUS"

BERLIN, Mar. 31. HERR HITLER is believed to be furious at Britain's handling of the Polish situation, and with Mr. Chamberlain's announcements.

All well-informed authorities agree that he is going to hit back very hard in to-morrow's speech at Wilhelmshaven.

There was unwonted bustle in the corridors of the Foreign Office this evening, as well as in the Chancellery.

It is believed that Herr Hitler summoned his Secretary and completely re-drafted passages in his speech referring to foreign politics.

He is understood to have conferred with Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, and the press chief, Dr. Dietrich.

Official circles to-night are extremely cautious, and the issuing of Mr. Chamberlain's statement to the press was long debated in the Propaganda Ministry.—Reuter.

INVASION FORESTALLED?

LONDON, Mar. 31.

It is assumed that Mr. Chamberlain decided to read the declaration on Friday instead of waiting for the foreign debate on Monday, in order to forestall a possible German thrust against Poland during the week-end. This became a possibility in view of new German troop movements in Silesia.

It is understood that Mr. Chamberlain surprised his colleagues during the Cabinet session by his apparent eagerness to take a strong line against Germany.

It is reported that Sir Samuel Hoare, the Home Secretary, and Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, who have been opposing strong action, have also changed their attitudes and almost outstripped Lord Halifax, who has been the leading exponent of a stronger foreign policy.

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ENGINEER'S MESS WAS A FINE MESS



THIS PHOTOGRAPH, taken by a member of the crew of the Canton a few minutes after the collision, graphically illustrated the damage sustained by the P. & O. liner in the collision with the Marchal Joffre. The photograph shows the gaping hole where the bows of the Marchal Joffre thrust through into the Engineers' Mess, in which several engineers were having their breakfast when the collision occurred. Two of the engineers had a remarkable escape from death. One was sitting with his back to the bulkhead.—Copyright.

Annexation Of Islands Off Indo-China Coast Announced By Tokyo

TOKYO, Mar. 31.

THE JAPANESE Government has announced that the Sprattley Islands, a group of small reefs in the South China Sea off the coast of French Indo-China, have been placed under the jurisdiction of the Government-General of Formosa.

A statement issued by the Foreign Office says that the Sprattley Islands or Shinnan Gunto have "long been known as ownerless."

In 1917, Japanese began before the nationals of any other country to embark on the economic development of the reefs.

The statement claims that a considerable amount of capital has already been invested and various permanent establishments have been erected by Japanese nationals on the islands.

Officially recognising the activities of Japanese nationals, the Japanese Government have on several occasions sent warships to the reefs since 1917 to extend various facilities to them as occasion has demanded, the statement further indicates.

Disputes With France

Absence of administrative jurisdiction over the reefs has caused not only inconveniences with regard to the protection and regulation of the lives and property as well as enterprises of Japanese nationals there, but also has been liable to give rise to unnecessary disputes with France.

Accordingly, the Japanese Government, in order to eliminate such inconveniences and disadvantages, has decided to place the reefs under the jurisdiction of the Government-General of Taiwan (Formosa), the statement continues.

Having published the fact under the date of March 30, 1939, the Vice-

Acid Thrower Amok In City: Attacks On Women

POLICE WERE to-day combing the Central district of Hongkong for an acid-thrower who last night made three separate attacks on women in Queen's Road.

A dancing girl, Ho Han Wing, 19, was walking along Queen's Road at 3 p.m. when she was confronted by a man, who stood in her way and refused to let her pass. He threw corrosive acid on her legs and ran away. Later the girl told police she thought the man was named Luk Chi Ping.

At 10.30 p.m. near the Queen's Theatre another dancing hostess Ma Po Lin, 20, was similarly attacked while on her way to the China Emporium. The front of her dress was torn open by the burning liquid.

The third attack concerned a married woman, aged 37, Pak Lin Chu, who was attacked near Chiu Lung street.

"A man followed me, I took no notice, and the next thing I felt was a burning on my legs," she told police. The man escaped into the crowd.

LATEST

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£1,000,000 RAY TO CRASH PLANES

Air Ministry's Amazing Offer to Inventors

Day-And-Night Rush To Win Fortune

A FORTUNE OF AT LEAST £1,000,000 AWAITS THE INVENTOR OF A RAY THAT WILL "CUT OUT" THE ENGINE OF AN AEROPLANE IN FLIGHT AND SEND IT HURTLING TO THE GROUND.

Thousands of men—many of them distinguished scientists—in laboratories all over Britain are working day and night to perfect the magic ray. So far none has succeeded.

In the past 12 months the Research and Development Department of the Air Ministry has been receiving requests for demonstration tests at the rate of one a week.

Best of the devices yet submitted has succeeded in cutting out an engine at a distance of a few feet. But this particular device would need twice the electrical power of the whole country to disable a plane at 10,000 feet, and the modern, heavily-laden bomber can fly comfortably at twice that height.

In view of this the Ministry's demand that the ray shall be effective at least 100 yards seems quite modest.

The Air Ministry is offering inventors the chance of making a big fortune for a ray that will crash planes.

Biggest difficulty the inventor has to face is the fact that the ignition leads in aircraft engines are protected with a metal casing to prevent interference with radio reception.

But in the hope of finding a ray which may well alter the whole course of world history, the Ministry are going steadily ahead with tests—and still more tests.

FOR SECRET TRY-OUT
These are being carried out in the greatest possible secrecy. Even important officials of the Ministry do not know where they are held.

In tests so far carried out some inventors piloted machines themselves, refusing to allow R.A.F. pilots to risk their lives.

Presumably these tests were not satisfactory, for the Ministry has laid it down that in future only R.A.F. machines and service pilots will be used for such tests.

Flying In Australia

CANBERRA, Australia.
"Safety First" is the slogan adopted by the Minister of Civil Aviation, who has purchased at a cost of \$170,000 seventeen Adcock Cathode direction finders. According to the ministry, no other country in the world has or contemplates such a widespread system of air navigation aids.

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RAY NOBLE QUILTS

HOLLYWOOD.
Recently going to the door of the furnished house he has rented here for the past three months, Ray Noble, the well-known orchestra leader, was greeted by a stranger, who told him that he was from the marshal's office and that he had come to live with him.

"I thought it was a strange American customer," said Ray, who came to Hollywood from London two years ago, "but I invited him in." The balliff is still in. But Ray Noble is out, and the house in the possession of marshals, collectors and carpet salesmen fighting over the possession of the furniture.

Now Ray, who is completely mystified about the whole business, is living in an hotel, wondering how, where and from whom he can recover damages.

Left £8,500: "It Was A Curse"

Ex-public school boy, Kenneth William Lawson, aged 32, who two years ago inherited £8,500 but who is now living in a Salvation Army hostel at Bethnal Green seeking relief, said recently that his fortune had been a curse to him.

Said good-looking, curly-haired Mr. Lawson: "Once I was happy as a sheet-metal worker at £3 10s. a week.

"Then an uncle in Nyack, New York, left £8,500 to my brother and myself. My brother died and I got the whole amount.

"That was two years ago—and today is my birthday. During that time I have realised that money is a nightmare. I gave up my job, thinking that £8,500 would last me for life. I have been a fool.

"I took a flat in Knightsbridge, had a houseboat on the Thames at Kingston—I entertained and entertained. I didn't realise till now that I always paid.

PARTIES, GAMBLING
"I even took a shooting party of 24 to Scotland. I knew nothing about shooting—but the others seemed to know about my finances.

"I went to Monte Carlo. I vowed that I would never lose more than £50. I was lucky—I won £300, but I spent it in my hotel entertaining. Unfortunately I have never had the guiding influence of a woman. I have met many but they meant nothing to me.

"The only consolation I have is that when I came into this money I paid for the training of three youths for a trade. They are now doing well, while I earn £4 a day addressing envelopes, raking out fires."

Ships To Be Hotels

San Francisco.
In the event that attendance at the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition exceeds the city's hotel accommodations, recourse will be had to luxury liners now lying idle. The Federal Court has already authorized the hotel use of the steamship H. F. Alexander.



"Patricia of Whyworry," a red Irish Setter bitch owned by Mrs. Harms-Emden, Patricia, whose father was the "Best Dog of the Show" in Shanghai, won a first and second prize and was highly commended at the recent Hongkong Dog Show.

Another Hospital Wants Foreign Girls Too Few Nurses To Go Round, Says Matron

FOR THE SECOND TIME in a week an English hospital is applying for permission to employ foreign nurses.

Recently the Home Office were asked to sanction employment of two Austrian nurses at Lenham tuberculosis hospital, Kent. The hospital is a mile and a half from Lenham village, which has only a few small shops and no cinema.

Later Miss Phyllis Rogers, matron at the Norwood Cottage Hospital, S. E. said "I have applied to the Council of Nurses for permission to employ three German-Jewish nurses at the hospital.

"For a year I have advertised in three nursing papers for three British trained nurses. There has not been one reply. There just can't be enough nurses to go round.

"For a year my trained nurses have been overworked. It cannot go on any longer."

There are two cinemas and excellent shops within five minutes' walk of Norwood Cottage Hospital. Nurses there can spend their time off in the West End.

Rent Strike By 1,000 Tenants

OVER 1,000 tenants in Stepney have declared a rent strike over the questions of housing conditions and charges for flats.

A loud speaker van playing marching tunes recently led over 1,200 people through the streets, many of them housewives carrying placards. A mass meeting was later held in the Grosvenor Hall, where it was announced that 370 tenants at Fieldgate Street Buildings will refuse to pay the landlord when he calls again.

He will find housewives picketing the gates and the buildings covered with posters and placards. At Brunswick Buildings, Aldgate, the 200 tenants will refuse to pay their rent for the fourth week. At present they are organising to prevent bailiffs ejecting 60 tenants under "quit" notices which have been issued.

A woman picket told the News Chronicle: "Women and children will lie down and to get to the flats the bailiffs will have to walk over our bodies. Look-outs will be posted all over the building to give the alarm."

Miss Rogers added: "I cannot think that the wages or conditions in our hospital are not good enough for British girls."

"We are offering £70 a year for nurses with general training, and full uniform is provided. That is more than many of the general hospitals offer. Working conditions are not hard."

PURPLE CARNATION

AFTER four years of work Mr. E. Baldry, a gas engineer, has produced on his allotment at Dagenham marshes a purple carnation which will attract gardeners all over the country. It is the result of 40 cross-fertilisations.

"My first purple carnation was only the size of a half-penny," Mr. Baldry, who lives at Croppath Road, Dagenham, said "but it is now a large flaked purple on a pure white background."

Reaping Benefit From Helping Refugees

LONDON.—Great Britain is beginning to feel the benefit of the brains and industrial ability of the 12,000 aliens—scientists and business executives included—who have come to this country since the Jewish pogrom began in Germany. The London Star reports.

According to the report, the refugees have already been instrumental in giving work to nearly 16,000 unemployed. Many new factories have been started in the distressed areas. Far-seeing German Jews transferred hundreds of thousands of pounds to British banks long ago, and this money is now being used to bring to England industries which have so far been almost exclusively German, Austrian or Czech.

A special department of the Home Office is dealing with a heavy rush for permission to open new businesses and factories. Before granting permits the British officials make certain that the necessary capital is available, that British workmen will be employed at trade union rates, and that it is to the advantage of British trade interests.

IN DEPRESSED AREAS
It is specified that many of the new factories have to be established in depressed areas, where industry has stagnated for years and unemployment and misery are at their worst.

One important development is the plan of a group of German Jews to start an ophthalmic glass factory in England. Great secrecy is being maintained, but the plan has caused great interest in military circles. At present 60 per cent of the finest type of ophthalmic glass used in binoculars and such precision instruments as microscopes is made in Germany. Now there is a chance for England to have this industry established.

Just like the days when France lost her greatest textile experts to England through the persecution of the Huguenots, and thus founded the greatest English industry, so Britain seems likely to benefit from the Nazi persecution.

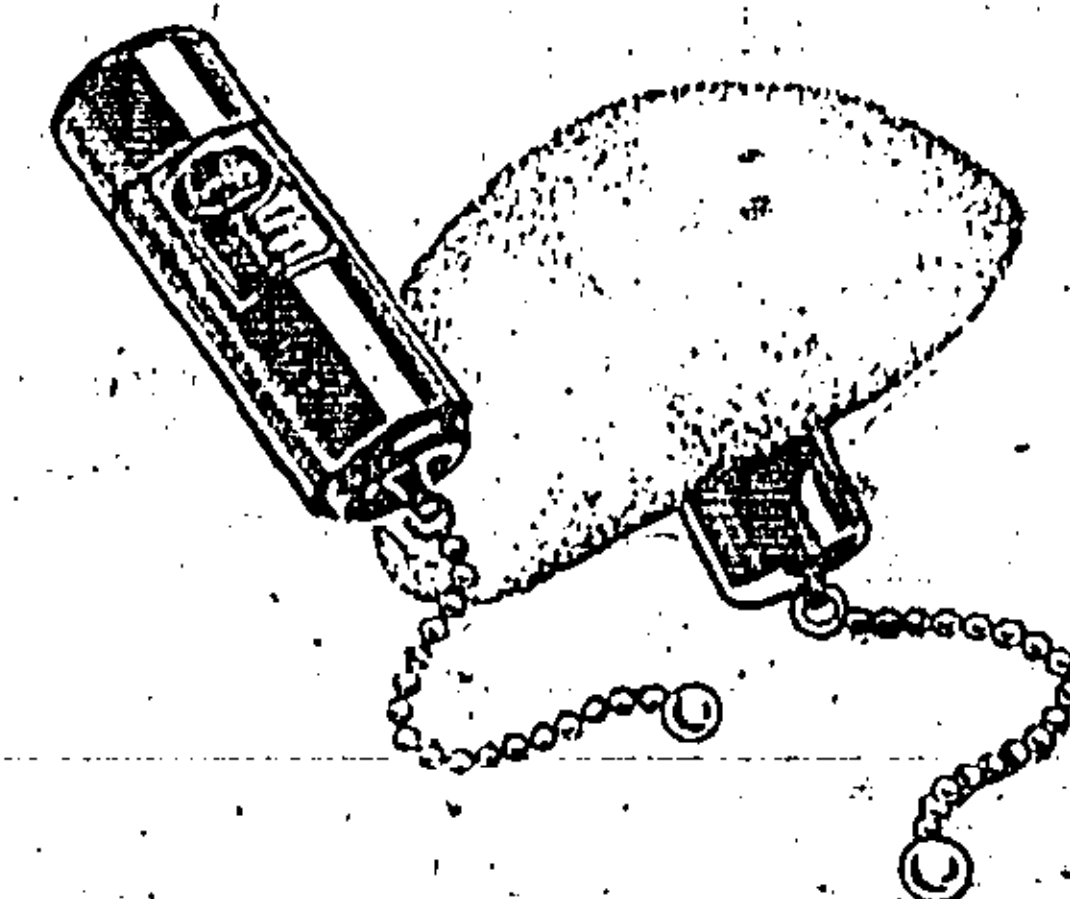
Frances Drake Marries

Hollywood.
Frances Drake, the film actress, was married to the Hon. Cecil John Arthur Howard, brother of the Earl of Suffolk, at Tucson, Arizona, recently.

The ceremony took place at the house of the Dowager Countess of Suffolk.

Miss Drake, whose recent pictures include "You Can't Have Everything" and "There's Always a Woman," will not give up her film career.

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- Martha. Act. 3. "Ach so fromm" (Like A Dream.) (Folov.) Jan Klepura. (Sung in German.)
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Flying Boats For Tasman And Atlantic Services

By Our Special Aviation Correspondent.

London. AOTEAROA, first of Imperial Airways' 24-ton flying boats designed for the Tasman service, was launched recently from the workshops of Short Brothers at Rochester, Kent.

The assembly line on which she was built is directly opposite the slipway, and when the great hangar doors of the workshop were slid back, she was wheeled straight forward on her benching gear (which consists of two independent legs, one under each wing, and a tall trolley or cradle).

Held by an electric winch attached to the tail, she was wheeled down the slipway until water-borne, when the winch cable was released by a press-button mechanism. Motor launches then took charge of her, floating off the legs and trolley of the benching gear, and she is now moored on the Medway beside her sister ships the Clyde and the Caribou.

Finishing touches remain to be completed, but it is expected that she should be in the air very soon.

Flying Boat

Aotearoa, which already bears her New Zealand registration ZK-AMA, is one of nine 24-ton flying boats which will establish services across the Atlantic and the Tasman this year.

There are four air liners in the Atlantic fleet, Imperial Cabot, Clyde, Concorra, and Caribou. They are fast four-engined flying boats capable of carrying when refuelled in mid-air, a load of 14,000 lbs.—the equivalent at 200 lbs. per passenger, of 70 passengers—on a 1,000 mile flight.

When ready for passenger traffic, these flying boats will be equipped with furnishings similar to those on Imperial Airways standard flying boats which have been operating regular services between England and Africa, India and Australia, for the past two years.

Commercial Aircraft. These flying boats are the first commercial aircraft in the world to be equipped with (1) sleeve-valve engines, (2) a retractable transparent dome for purposes of astronomical observation, and (3) facilities for refuelling in the air.

Imperial Airways' trans-Atlantic Division is under the command of Captain A. S. Wilcockson, O.B.E., who in 1937 made a series of survey flights to Canada and the United States in Caledonia, one of the standard C class flying boats.

To Aotearoa and Australia (second of the Tasman boats) Captain John Weir Burgess, hero of the 32,000 mile survey flight to New Zealand, and Captain George Cyril Butler have been appointed.

It is hoped that both services may be inaugurated early in June. The Atlantic services will operate at first on a regular weekly schedule carrying mails only. Passengers will be carried when a working schedule has been tried out and established. On the Tasman service passengers will probably be carried right from the start.

Flying Routes

The Atlantic route will be from Southampton, by way of Eire, Newfoundland and Montreal to New York. The Tasman crossing will be from Auckland to Sydney and then on through Malaya, Siam and India to Southampton.

Thus from Auckland through England and New York on to Bermuda there will be a continuous Imperial air line of 18,500 miles.

Even more impressive is the vision of the future for these routes will carry British lines to three terminals on the Pacific—at Hongkong, at Vancouver and at Auckland—and the spanning of this ocean alone remains to complete the encirclement of the globe by British air services.

Name Kept Secret To Save Parents

A FORMER public-school boy at the Old Bailey recently was described as K.H. Davidge, aged 20, clerk. "That is not his real name," declared Mr. John Maude, prosecuting. "I hope that it will not be necessary to find out exactly who he is. He is not a person of great importance, but he was decently born and bred, and he passed through a public school."

"The parents—and the prosecution is sorry for them—would he hurt." Davidge admitted four charges of breaking and entering, and Mr. Frank Milton, defending, said he now realised he had been an "utter cad." The recorder, Mr. Gerald Dodson, postponed his decision until next session. The probation officer, he said, would see Davidge.



Comfort is the keynote of the Imperial Airways passenger planes. Above is a photograph taken of the sleeping berths on one of the flying boats.

The King To Approve Dresses For 'Debs.'

ONE of the first duties of the King and Queen when they returned from Sandringham recently was to approve four designs as models for the dresses to be worn at this year's Courts. About 30 drawings were submitted. Together the King and Queen scrutinised each one. The King approved the final choice.

With the Queen the King spent at least an hour choosing the final designs. They were then sent to the Lord Chamberlain's office, where West End and Paris dress designers were able to sketch copies.

DRESSMAKER TOLD

Unofficial instructions have already been given to dress-makers to the effect that greater attention will have to be paid to these designs and that major details such as the length of train and neckline must be conformed to.

Last year a number of women's dresses had too low a neckline. Official displeasure was conveyed, but it was decided to wait until this year before hinting to dress-makers that they should disuade their clients from having low-backed Court gowns.

West End designers are heartily in agreement with the restrictions, "but," a famous designer said, "clients are apt to have their own views."

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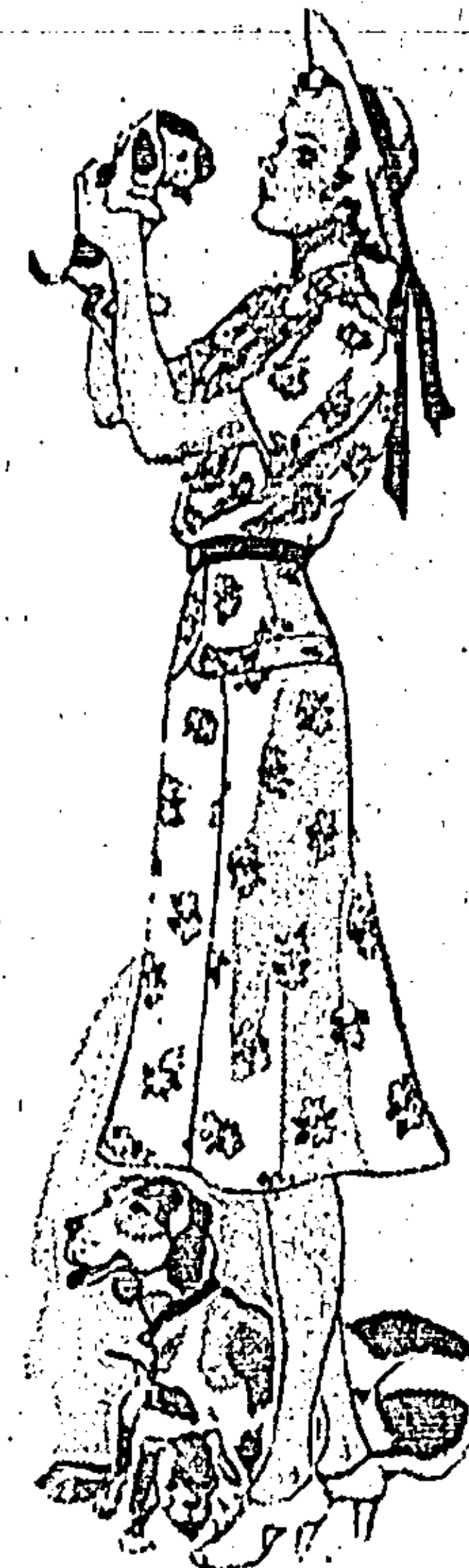
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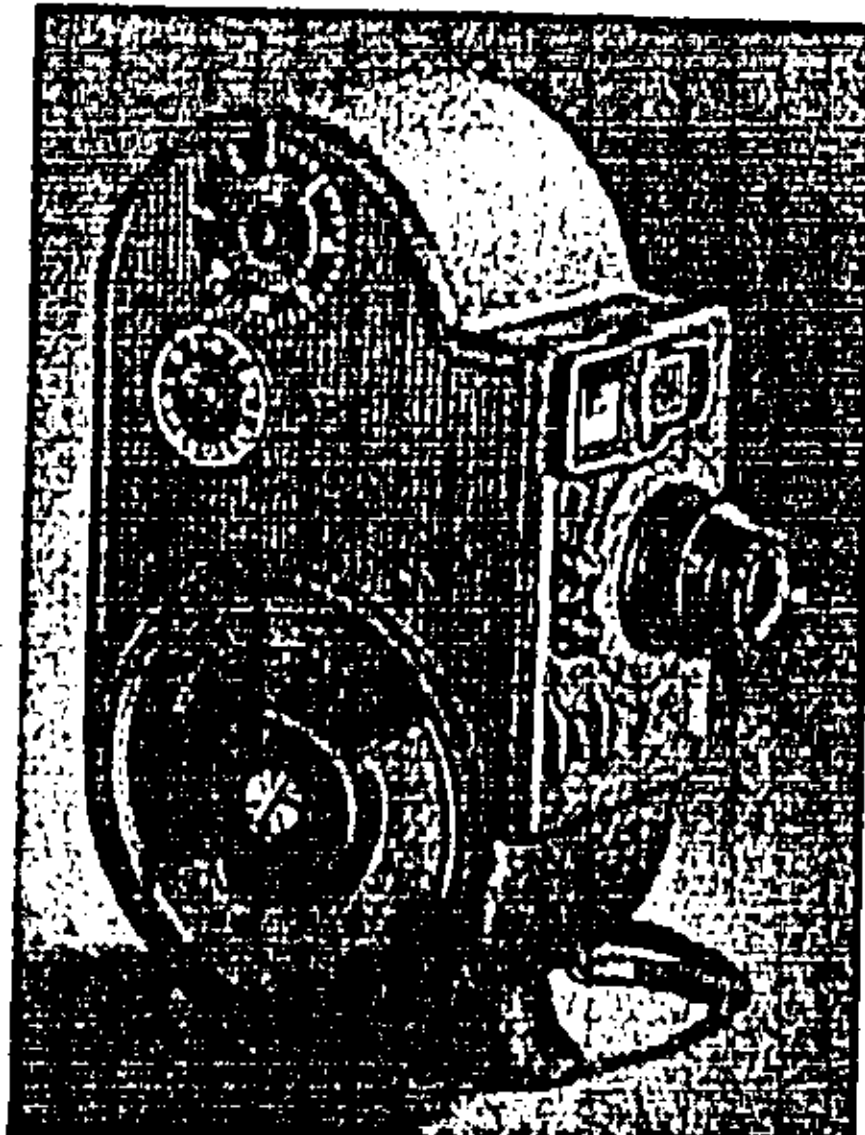
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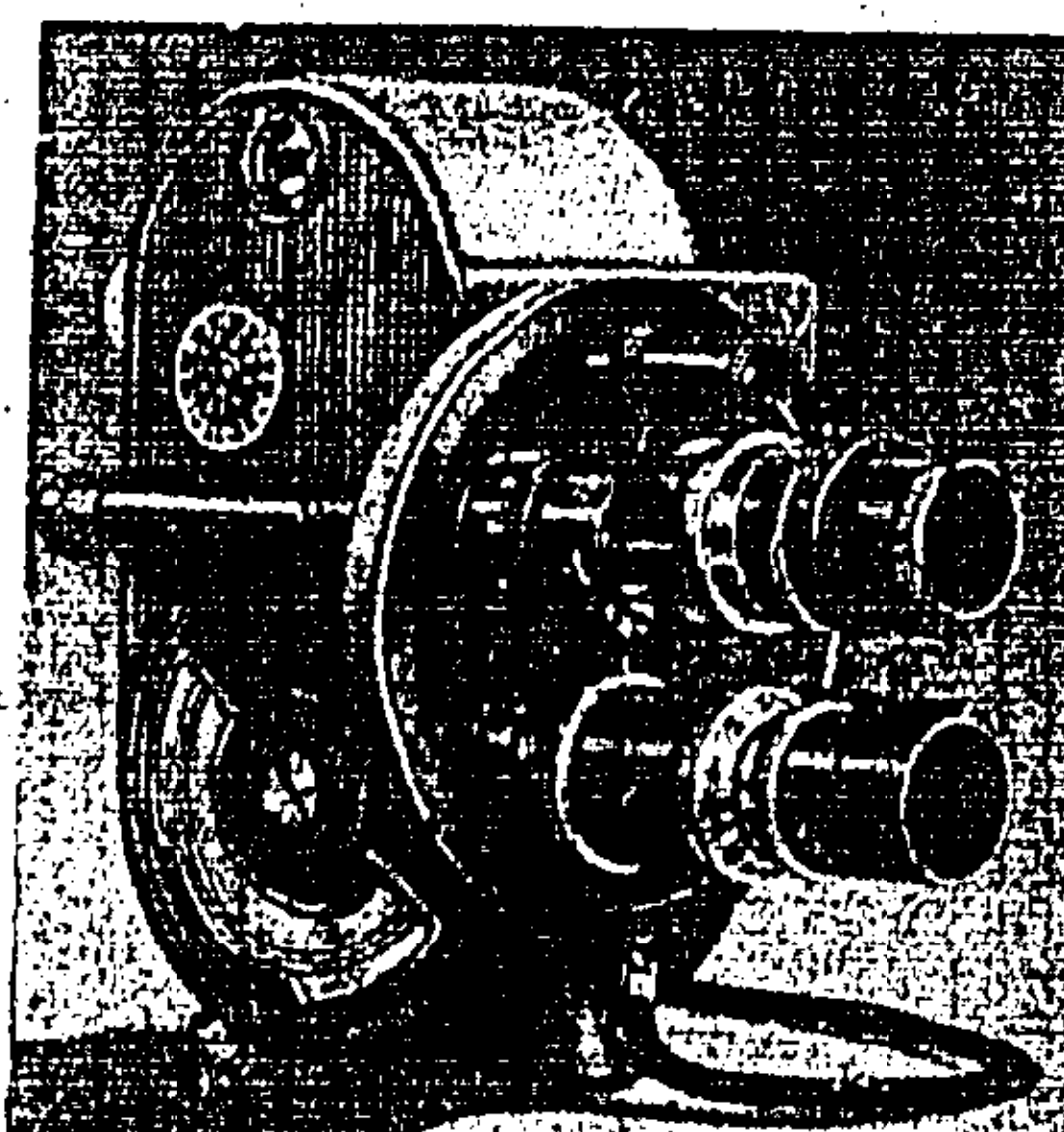
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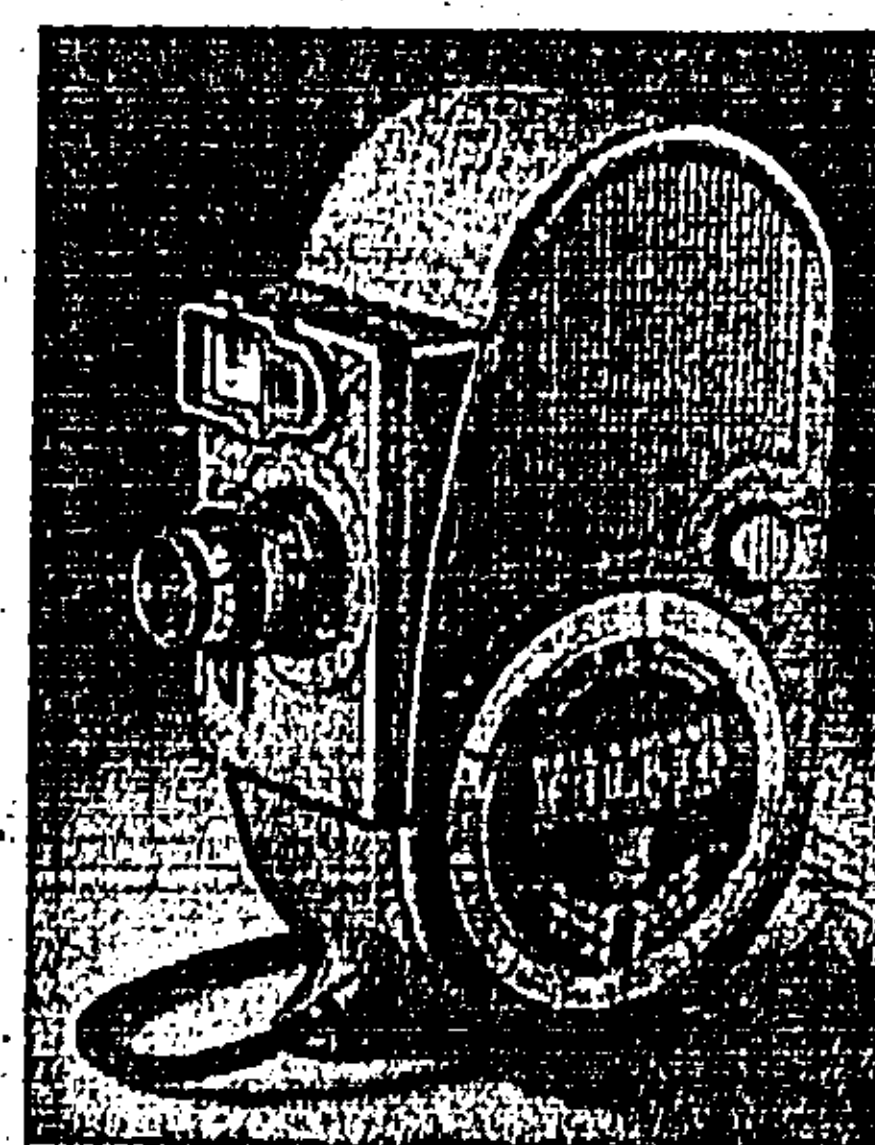


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LOST small black cocker spaniel dog strayed from 809, The Peak, on 29th March. If found will please communicate with Telephone No. 28050.

Japan Annexes French Reefs

(Continued From Page 1)

Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Renzo Savada, has notified the French Ambassador in Tokyo, M. Charles Arsene Henry, to that effect on March 31, the statement concludes.—Domet.

British Opinion

London, Mar. 31. The British Foreign Office state they have received no official confirmation of Japan's annexation of the Spratly Islands, therefore no official comment could be made. However, British sources said as far as is known Japan has never challenged the French title to the islands since the French annexed them in 1933.—United Press.

Paris Surprised

Paris, Mar. 31. Japan's brusque action over the Spratly Islands is regarded here as surprising, to say the least. France holds the group in French possession, since they have been physically occupied by the French since 1911. The French note of occupation given to the Powers.

France's ownership was recently challenged by Japan, and in the middle of negotiations comes today's communique issued in what is felt to be a cavalier manner.

At the same time, there is no question of going to war over the group of islands, the fate of which will be decided eventually by a peace treaty.—Reuter.

Washington Concern

Washington, Mar. 31. Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, said he was given full attention to dispatches relating to Japan's assumption for jurisdiction of Spratly Island.

He had not yet received any formal notification from the Japanese Government.—Reuter.

France To Take Measures

Paris, Apr. 1. It is understood that Ministers in council will take appropriate measures, the nature of which has not been revealed, regarding the Japanese occupation of the Spratly Islands.

Official circles stressed the fact that the French Navy occupied the islands in 1933.

The Japanese announcement of annexation came in the midst of negotiations regarding the status of the islands, which have been proceeding for the past year.—United Press.

Mr. H. W. E. Heath has been appointed to be a member of the Committee to administer the Mercantile Marine Assistance Fund of Hongkong, vice Mr. A. R. S. Major as from last Thursday.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Thirty-fourth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Thursday, the 13th April, 1939, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 29th March to 13th April, 1939, both days inclusive.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of April, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Island (Lot No. 2880) section of Castle Peak Road & Camp Street Shamshui	as per sale plan.	About 11,800	\$152	\$17,700

French C. In C. Arrives

The French Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Le Bigot, paid a visit to Flagstaff House this morning where he was received by a Guard of Honour drawn from the Royal Scots, H.E. the G.O.C., Major General A. E. Grassett and Mrs. Grassett, greeted the distinguished visitor whom call here will probably be his last in his present appointment. He is to hand over his command to his successor, Vice-Admiral Lecoux, at Shanghai shortly.

The Lamotte-Piquet, the flagship cruiser in which the Admiral arrived, saluted the country with 21 guns this morning. After being delayed one day by fog, she entered the harbour and is now proceeding to dry dock for annual overhaul.

Czech Jews Expelled

London, Mar. 31. Exciting scenes occurred last evening at Croydon airport when 10 Czech Jews were to be transported on board an airplane for a return journey to the continent. They had arrived a few days ago at Croydon by a hired plane from Warsaw without a landing permit. The Jews threw themselves on the ground in resisting the police trying to get them into the plane.

After several Jews had been carried on board by force, the windows of the plane were suddenly smashed, whereupon the pilot refused to take off. The Jews are now to be taken on board a Channel steamer bound for the continent on Saturday.—Trans-Ocean.

RADIO MESSAGES ARE CHEAPER

A reduction has been made in the payment for transmission of messages by wireless to ships and aircraft.

Formerly, a fee of 65 cents was charged for sending messages handed in at the Government radio offices to ships. This charge is now 35 cents. Messages to aircraft which formerly cost 75 cents are now reduced to 45 cents.

For messages received by wireless or telegraph for retransmission to ships or aircraft from Cape D'Aguilar the charge is now 5d. as compared to 9d. formerly, and from Kai Tak the fee is 6d. as compared to 10d. before.

The rates per word prescribed for the transmission of messages by wireless to ships or aircraft not registered in the United Kingdom will still remain at the charge of 55 cents to ships and 65 cents to aircraft.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange weekly report issued yesterday, says: During the week the market exhibited some amount of nervousness, and in a few cases prices have been marked down. Buyers however showed an inclination to absorb offerings of the better class dividend payers, and this has resulted in what may be considered a fair turnover under conditions surrounded with a degree of uncertainty. The closing tone is on the easy side, but without much selling pressure, and it is quite possible any favourable turn in the political situation would be followed by a considerable hardening of quotations.

Business Done During the Week.
Hongkong Bank \$1,300, \$1,300, \$1,305, \$1,370
Union Insurance \$407 1/2, \$470, \$465, \$460
Docks \$17 1/2
Provident \$3.70, \$10.10, \$10.50, \$10.50
Provident ex div. \$4.05, \$4.00
Hotels \$2 1/2
Lands \$30, \$34
Tramways \$10.10, \$10 1/2
Yau Ma Tei \$24 1/2
China Lights (Old) \$8.20
China Lights (New) \$5.50, \$5 1/2
Electric \$25 1/2, \$25 1/2, \$25 1/2
Sundakan Lights \$12
Cement \$13 1/2
Dairy Farms ex rights \$21, \$21 1/2
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Changes—Closing Quotations—Buyers
Rauba \$8
H.K. Lands \$33 1/2
Dairy Farms ex Rts. \$21 1/2
Entertainments \$6 1/2
H.K. Govt. 4 1/2 Loan 4 1/2 prem.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2 Loan 4 1/2 prem.
Dairy Farms Rights \$15 1/2

Sellers
Union Insurance \$465
H.K. & K. Wharves \$11 1/2
H.K. Tramways \$10.20
H.K. Electric \$25 1/2
Dairy Farms ex Rts. \$22

Sales
Provident (Old) \$4 1/2
H.K. & S. Hotels \$2.50/3 1/2
H.K. Tramways \$10.10/20
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STOCKS:

The breaking of the January low levels in the averages indicates a bear market and presumably means further selling to-morrow, eliminating debit balances. The unprecedented brevity of the preceding bull market, the low stable level of commodity prices and record high bond prices, as well as a prospective big increase in Government deficit for the second quarter, argue against sacrificing wholly owned stocks.

The British pledge, war if necessary, to aid Poland has attracted attention here, but the London market held above the low levels registered on March 20th.

EARNINGS:

Stock	Period	1938
Shell Union Oil	Yr. 31/12	\$0.72
American Water Works	Yr. 31/12	\$0.38
Boeing Airplane	Yr. 31/12	\$300,000 LOSS

The Pennsylvania Railway Company estimates its March gross income at 14 per cent. above that of the corresponding month of last year. The Union Pacific Company's January and February earnings totalled \$0.49.

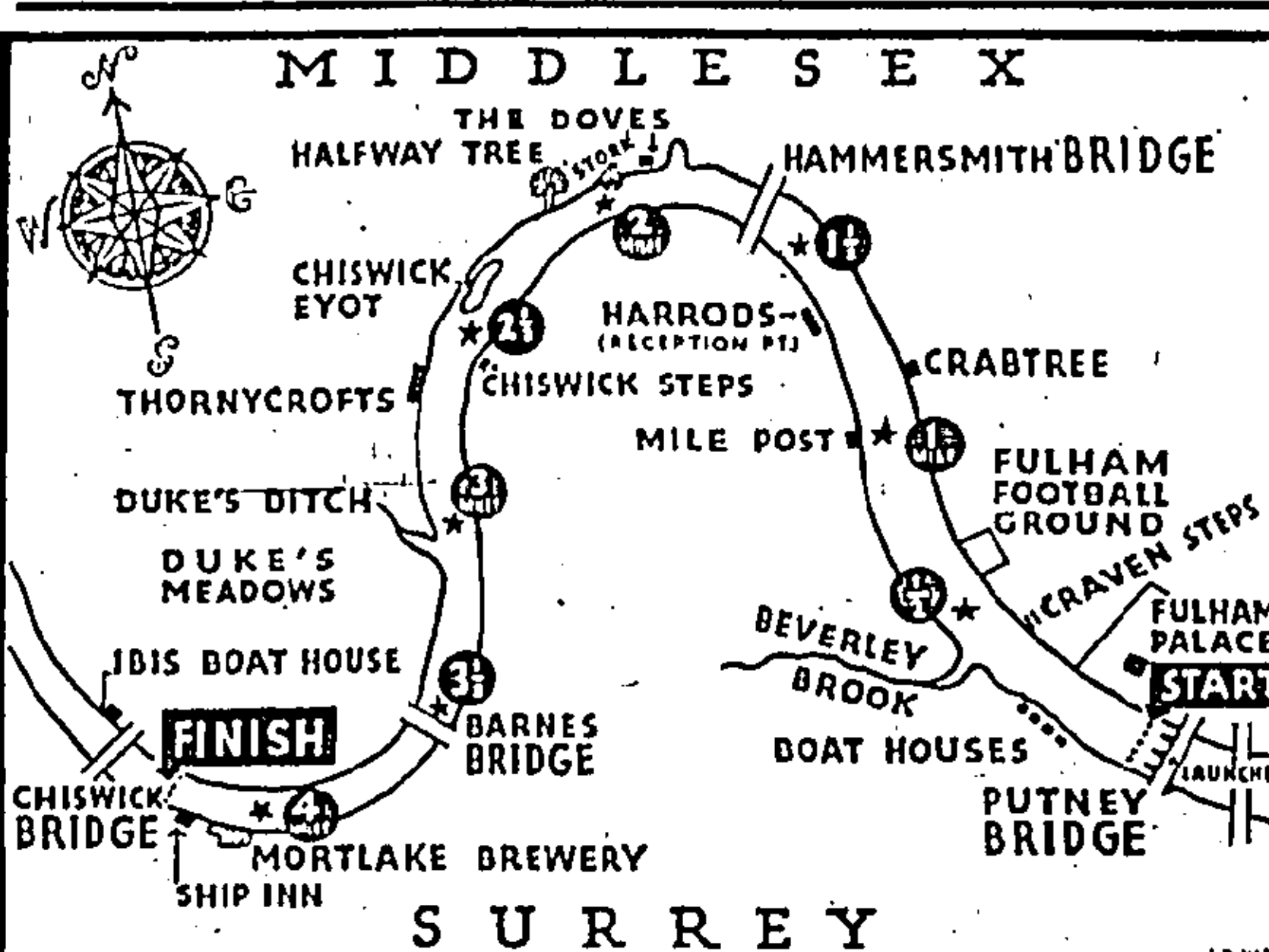
COMMODITIES:

These markets lend little support to war fears. Cotton and wheat prices were fractionally higher. Rubber was off slightly.

LONDON AVERAGES:

	MARCH 30	MARCH 31
Industrial Average	90.2	95.9
Rail Average	55.2	55.0

These averages are based on 100 as of December 31, 1934.



BOAT RACE WILL BE ON THE AIR

THE ANNUAL Boat Race, Oxford v. Cambridge, is to be broadcast by Daventry to-day. It will provide exciting listening for sports "fans".

Listeners to the commentary on the Oxford v. Cambridge Boat Race, to be broadcast in the BBC's programme, may like to keep this plan of the Putney to Mortlake course before them: on it are indicated all the landmarks likely to be mentioned.

For Hongkong radio listeners, the Boat Race can be heard on Trans-mission 2, which will commence at 6.45 p.m. Hongkong Time, or from ZBW.

John Snagge, of the BBC's Outside Broadcast Department, for the eighth year in succession will describe the meeting on the Thames of Oxford and Cambridge.

He will follow the crews along the four-and-a-quarter mile course from Putney to Mortlake in the launch Consula, his commentary being radiated from the small transmitter installed in the launch, picked up by a receiving point on the river bank, and thence conveyed by telephone line to the control room at Broadcasting House.

It is a hundred years this year since the oarsman of the two Universities first met in their world-famous contest, although only ninety races have actually been rowed.

This year, for the first time, both the start and finish of the race will be televised.

Americans Owe Forty Billion Dollars

Washington, Mar. 31. Treasury statistics indicate that the public debt will reach an all time high of more than forty billion dollars in the next 24 hours, the equivalent of \$307 for each man, woman and child in the United States.

When the former President, Mr. Herbert Hoover, left White House the debt was approximately twenty billion dollars.

United Press.

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INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Shanghai	Idion	April 1.
Shanghai and Swatow	Szechuen	April 1.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tsinan	April 1.
Shanghai	Anna Meersk	April 2.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 25th March.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 2.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tsinalak	April 2.
Japan and Shanghai	Chenonceaux	April 3.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai—(San Francisco date, 10th March).	Pres. Coolidge	April 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Antenor	April 4.
Australia and Manila	Nelloro	April 4.
Straits	Terukuni Maru	April 4.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 25th March.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 5.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 25th March.	Pan American Airways Plane	April 5.
Japan	Shirala	April 5.
Japan	Anyo Maru	April 7.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia, and New Nankin	G.P.O. and K.F.O.	Sat., Apr. 1.
Zeland via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 18th April.	Parcel	Apr. 1, 11 a.m.
	Reg.	Apr. 1, 12.45 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 1, 1.50 p.m.
Haiphong	Esang	Sat., Apr. 1, 1 p.m.
Fort Boyard	Wing Wah	Sat., Apr. 1, 1.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and Chitral	G.P.O. and K.F.O.	Sat., Apr. 1.
South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 28th April.	Parcels	Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Apr. 1, 5.30 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 1, 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 11th April.	G.P.O. and K.F.O.	Sat., Apr. 1.
	Reg.	Apr. 1, 4.30 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 1, 5 p.m.
Bangkok	Gustav Diederichsen	Sat., Apr. 1, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Anshun	Sat., Apr. 1, 5 p.m.

Sunday

Foochow via Swatow	Chungking	Sun., Apr. 2, 8.30 a.m.
Sundakan	Mausang	Sun., Apr. 2, 8.30 a.m.
Fort Boyard, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kingyuan	Sun., Apr. 2, 9 a.m.
Swatow and Chuanchow	Seisan	Sun., Apr. 2, 9 a.m.
Shanghai via Swatow	Yusang	Sun., Apr. 2, 9 a.m.

Monday

Swatow and Foochow	Yochow	Mon., Apr. 3, 10.30 a.m.
Sulgon	Chenonceaux Mon.	Apr. 3, 11.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 10th April	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Apr. 3.
	K.F.O.	Reg., Apr. 3, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 3, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Reg., Apr. 3, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 3, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Imperial Airways Plane	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Apr. 3.
Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 10th April	K.F.O.	Reg., Apr. 3, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 3, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Reg., Apr. 3, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 3, 7 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	Fri., Apr. 3, 7 p.m.

Tuesday

Batavia and Sourabaya	Tsinalak	Tues., Apr. 4, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Szechuen	Tues., Apr. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Mingang	Tues., Apr. 4, 1 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Terukuni Maru	Tues., Apr. 4, 3.30 p.m.
Parcels only for Straits, Penang, Antenor	G.P.O. and K.F.O.	Tues., Apr. 4.
Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Marseilles and London—due London, 10th May.	Parcels	Apr. 4, 5 p.m.

Wednesday

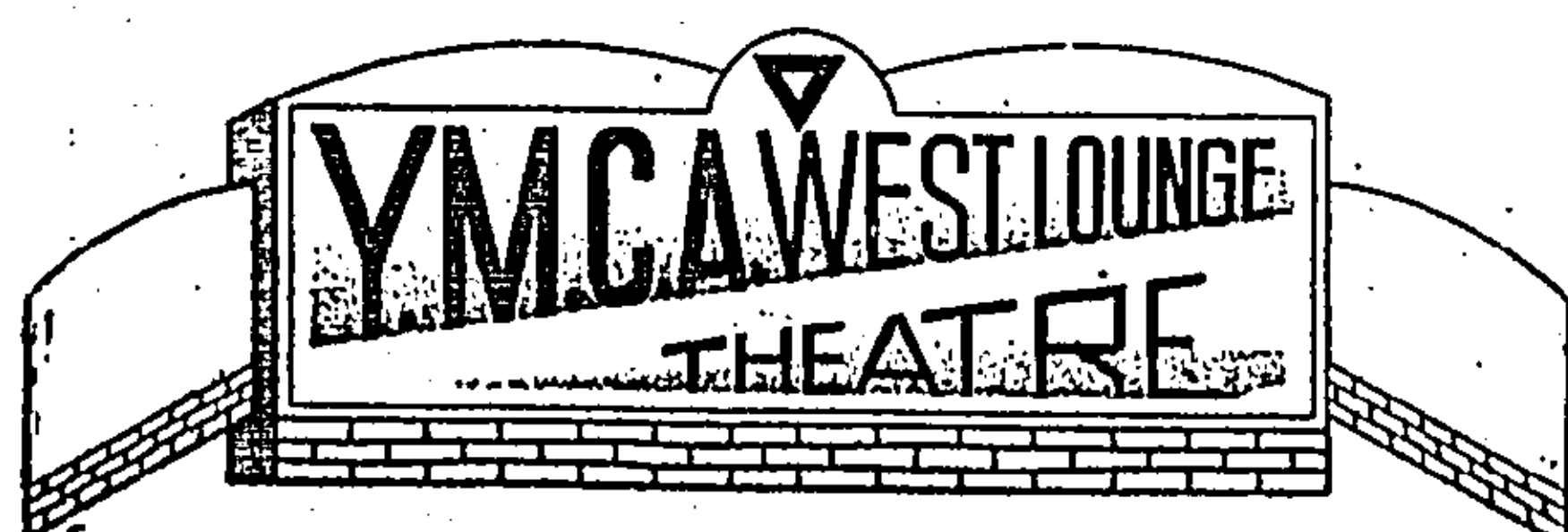
Foochow via Swatow	Hunan	Wed., Apr. 5, 9.40 a.m.
Swatow	Wosang	Wed., Apr. 5, 10.30 a.m.
Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco Marques, (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban)	London Maru Wed.	Apr. 5, 2.30 p.m.
Amoy	Tsinan	Wed., Apr. 5, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 12th April.	Pan American Airways Plane	Wed., Apr. 5.
	K.F.O.	Reg., Apr. 5, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 5, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Reg., Apr. 5, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 6, 7.30 a.m.

Thursday

Manila, Saigon, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar, Lourenco Marques, and (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban)	Bolshevik Thurs., April 6, 3.30 p.m.	
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 13th April	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., April 6.
	K.F.O.	Reg., Apr. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 6, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Reg., Apr. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 6, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Aus. Imperial Airways Plane	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., April 6.
Direct Service—due Sydney, 15th April	K.F.O.	Reg., Apr. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 6, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Reg., Apr. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 6, 7 p.m.
Swatow	Yatshing	Thurs., April 6, 7 p.m.

Friday

Swatow	Kwangtung	Fri., Apr. 7, 10.30 a.m.
Sundakan	Woolgar	Fri., Apr. 7, 10.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 20th April.	Husimi Maru	Fri., April 7.
	G.P.O. and K.F.O.	Reg., Apr. 7, 11 a.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 7, 11.30 a.m.
Saloon, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 7th April.	G.P.O. and K.F.O.	Reg., Apr. 7, 11.15 a.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 7, Noon.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and Air France Plane	Imperial Airways Plane	Fri., Apr. 7.
France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"	K.F.O.	Reg., Apr. 7, Noon.
	Ord.	Apr. 7, Noon.
	G.P.O.	Reg., Apr. 7, Noon.
	Ord.	Apr. 7, 5 p.m.
Brindisi—due Brindisi, 30th April.	Conto Verde	Fri., Apr. 7, Noon.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	Fri., Apr. 7, Noon.



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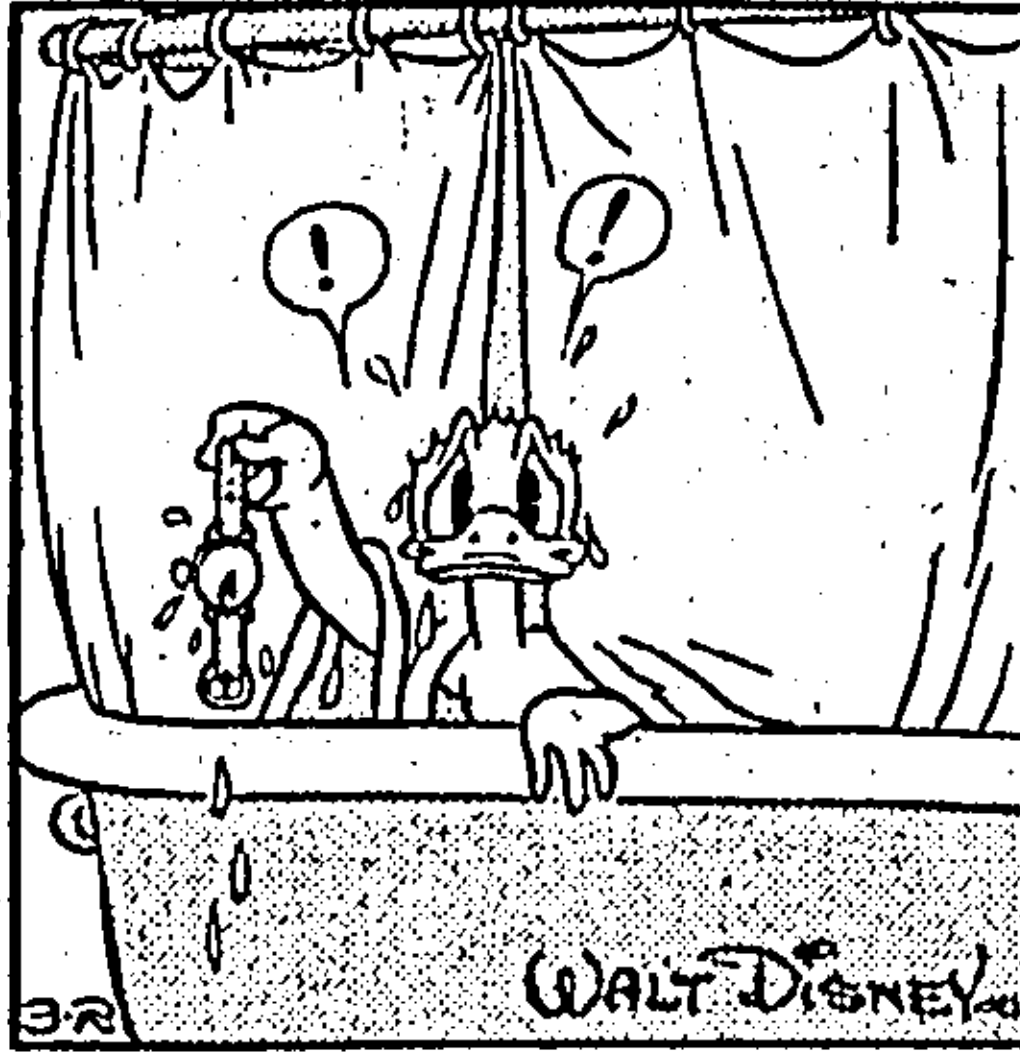
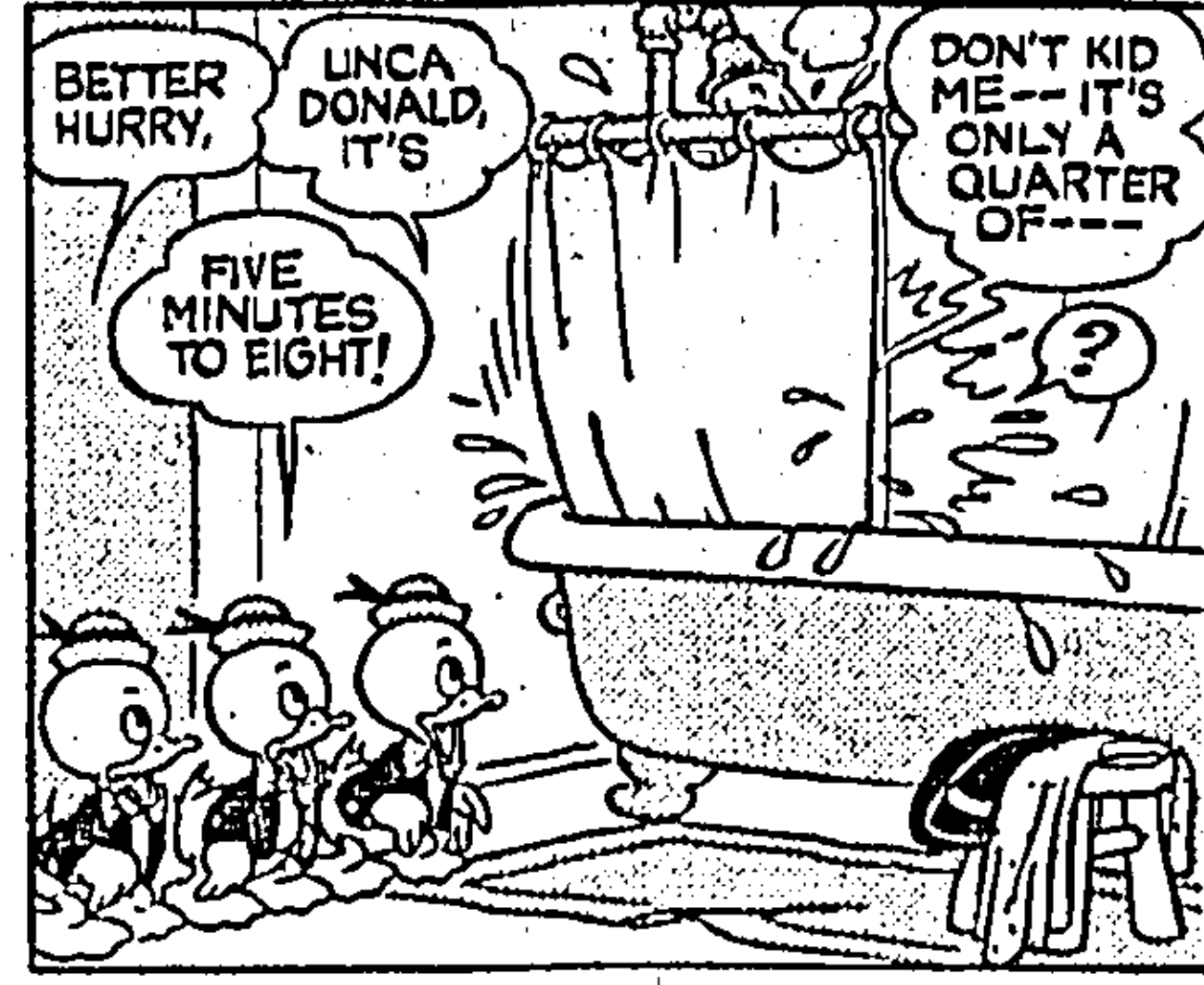
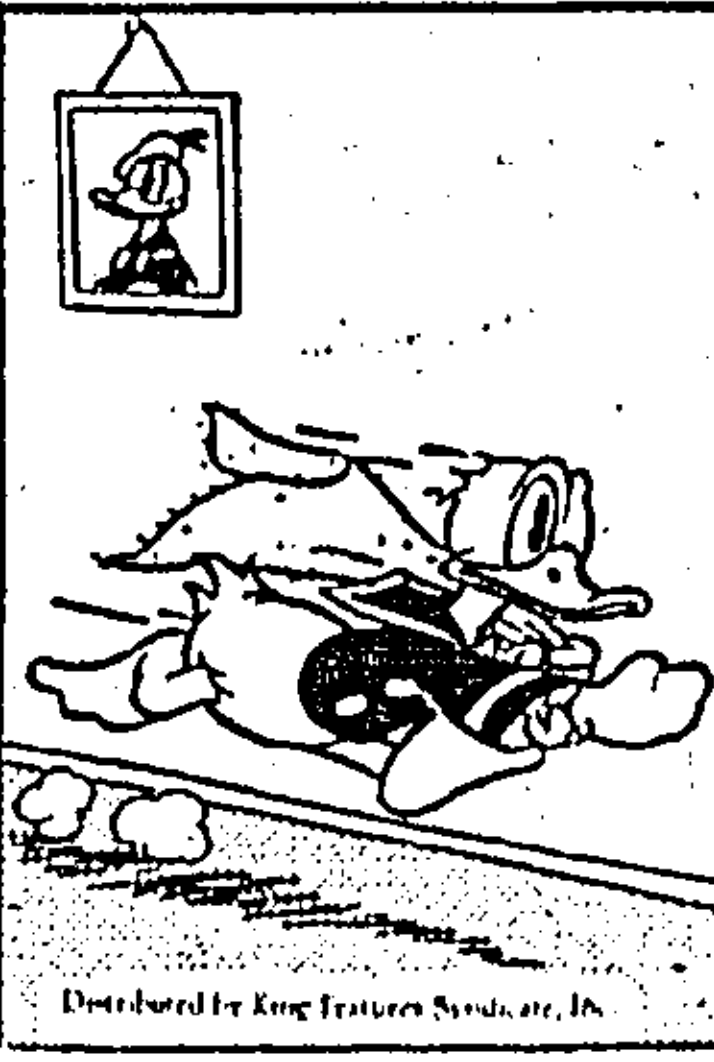
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But when the world has turned its eyes away and forgotten all about these twenty-year-old sportsmen, what will they have to look forward to? Where will they be thirty years hence?

On the whole, their prospects in life look pretty good.

We can get a broad idea of what is coming to them by looking at the records of the men who rowed in the Boat Race in the eleven years between 1904 and the outbreak of the War. These men are now, on an average, 50 years old.

How have they been doing? The table below (which incidentally has required as much research to produce as the average Government Blue Book) shows the proportions that have entered different walks of life:

Killed in the War	31 per cent.
In Business	16
Country Gentlemen	11
Clergymen	9
Army Officers	8
Lawyers	6
Medical men	6
Civil Servants	6
Air Force Officers	2
Teaching	2
Ambassadors	2
Judges	1
Deputy-Speakers	1
Prime Ministers	1

The one per cent. Prime Minister is Mr. S. M. Bruce, who for six years was Prime Minister of Australia. Now he is Australia's High Commissioner in London.

Deputy-Speaker Bourne is a remarkable figure. He stroked Oxford to victory four times running. His father was in two winning Oxford crews in the "eighties."

And now his son looks like rowing for Oxford next year. If so, it will be the first time that grandfather, father and son have been rowing Blues.

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Bourne, Deputy-Speaker and M.P. for Oxford City, knows the value of being a Blue. At election times he puts out the slogan, "Vote for the 'Varsity Wet-Bob Blue."

Tories say it wins more votes than it loses.

If from the list above we subtract the war dead (a savagely high proportion), we can see that the

To-day's Thought
THE saint and the sinner are often in the same boat.
—EDMUND WARD.



You need have no fear about the men who this afternoon will make a public holiday.

By Will Shebbeare

odds are that in each boat to-day there will be rowing:

Two business men, one country gentleman, one clergyman, one Army officer, one lawyer, one doctor, one Civil servant and also, according to the law of averages, one man who cannot make up his mind whether to be Prime Minister, Deputy-Speaker, Judge, ambassador or join the Air Force.

Rowing men have the wanderlust. Even those who go into business do not sit in the City all day. More than half of them go abroad.

And the clergymen, too, go abroad—nearly two-thirds of them. The nine per cent. on our list include an Archbishop of Nairobi and a Canon of Mombasa.

They like teaching, too. About three-quarters of them have at one time or another combined schoolmastering with their work in the Church—one of them becoming a headmaster.

Rowing parsons who settle quietly in country parishes average in income of £700 a year plus a house.

This is about £300 a year more

than the average parson gets. So even in the Church Blues have a pull—because their old colleges have good livings they can give them.

Blues marry well. One of them has even married four times. And all of them stand a one-in-twenty chance of marrying the daughter of an Earl.

For all sorts of purposes rowing men come in handy.

Mr. Chamberlain, looking round for a new Lord Chancellor the other day, picked on Lord Maugham, who twice rowed for Cambridge in the 'eighties.

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People whose faces have been seriously damaged in accidents go for new ones to plastic surgeon Sir Harold Gillies, who is known as a golfer as well as an oculist.

Midland Bank shareholders, wanting a Chairman, chose Sir Reginald McKenna, Light Blue and Liberal ex-Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Blues have met varied fates, from

Mr. Waddington, who became Prime Minister of France, to Mr. Bagshaw, who was murdered by poachers. Both of them rowed for Cambridge in 1849. Irvine (Oxford, 1922-3) lies dead at the summit of Mount Everest.

Some men who row in the Boat Race become so keen on rowing that they spend the rest of their lives as coaches.

Best known of them is the irrepressible "Steve" Fairbairn, born in Australia, and now 75 years old. He was four times in the Cambridge boat, and later distinguished himself by inventing his own unique style of rowing.

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Here are some facts about himself that he gives in "Who's Who":

"Rowing Coach, and no other occupation... while a schoolboy played three years for the town cricket and football teams—about equal to playing for a county in England—papers said he was the best footballer in the States... Publications 'Rowing Notes,' said by some to be the Bible on rowing. Recreations, all games earlier, later golf, now curing scoliosis."

Do not imagine that all Blues are hard-boiled Tories. Cambridge's stroke in 1925—the year the Oxford boat sank—was George Wansbrough, now a Labour councillor and Labour candidate for West-Woolwich.

Then there is Lewis Clive. In 1930 and 1931 he rowed for Oxford. Last year his book on how to reform the British Army was published, with a preface by Mr. Attlee.

It is a curious thing how rowing, much more than any other sport, seems to encourage men to enter the Church. It has always been so.

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From the crews in the original Boat Race in 1829 there sprang a Bishop of St. Andrews, a Bishop of Lichfield, a Dean of Ely, a Dean of Lincoln, a Dean of Ripon and a Rebendary of York.

Fifty years later the Light Blue Dean of Ely wrote to the Dark Blue Bishop of St. Andrews a reminiscence letter, which included the memorable phrase: "The Dean of Ripon, your coxswain (who fouled us twice)..."

So—unless those who get Blues have changed radically in the last year or two—your need have no fear about the men who, this afternoon, will make a public holiday. They know how to take care of themselves. Many of them will be heard of again.

And if one of the coxes should foul, be tolerant. He probably wants to be Dean of Ripon.

connection with St. John's Cathedral while resident here.

Mr. and Mrs. Piercy have four sons and one daughter, and three sons have been connected with Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd. Mr. Arthur and Mr. Harold Piercy, both well known locally, expect to be in Victoria to-day to join in the Diamond Wedding celebration of their parents.

The felicitations of many Hongkong friends will go out to Mr. and Mrs. Piercy on this happy occasion, and cable messages of congratulations are being despatched by the Committee of the School and the Diocesan Boys' School Old Boys' Association. The latter have also sent three ivory pieces as a memento.

Colony For Shiftless
JOHANNESBURG, South Africa.

The Union of South Africa no longer will support Europeans who refuse to work. All those living on charity who refuse to accept jobs will be sent to the new penal colony at Farm Swartkops in the Transvaal.

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CHAMBERLAIN'S GRAVE SPEECH

After the Cabinet meeting Sir Thomas Inskip, Secretary of State for the Dominions, informed the Dominions of the decision, in accordance with the tradition of informing the Dominions of all major steps of foreign policy.

CHANNEL PRECAUTIONS

Political quarters here consider the declaration to be the most important developments in British Foreign Policy since the war, believing it finally draws the line at which Britain will fight.

The Cabinet's decision coincided with reports that leave had been stopped in the Royal Air Force, and that the R.A.F. and Royal Navy were patrolling the North Sea and Channel coasts day and night.

All last night searchlights combed London skies in air raid drill.—United Press.

Berlin, Mar. 31.
Reports of German troop movements are still categorically denied in official circles.

Private motorists from Warsaw report considerable military activity on the German side of the frontier, but it is difficult to say whether it is more than normal.—Reuter.

Statement For Mussolini

ROME, Mar. 31.
Sir Noel Charles, the British Charge D'Affaires paid a brief visit to the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, to whom he gave a copy of Mr. Chamberlain's statement in the House of Commons.

It is reported that he explained that Mr. Chamberlain had requested that the statement be communicated to Signor Mussolini immediately.—United Press.

French And Polish Replies

LONDON, Mar. 31.
According to the "Daily Herald's" Diplomatic Correspondent, the French and Polish replies arrived in London late on Thursday, agreeing to a tripartite pledge between Britain, France and Poland to come to each other's assistance with all means in their power if any one of them is attacked.

The report said that the emergency tri-Power agreement is the outcome of Germany's suggestions to Warsaw a fortnight ago that Poland should:

- 1.—Harmonize her foreign policy, especially her attitude towards Russia, with that of Germany.
- 2.—Negotiate with Germany to change the sovereignty and international status of Danzig, presently transferred to Poland, to the Reich with certain guarantees for Polish interests.
- 3.—Agree to the building of a German motor road, under German control, across the Polish corridor, linking the Reich with East Prussia.—United Press

Further Statement

London, Mar. 31.
A further statement by the Prime Minister is expected when the conversations with other countries are completed says "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent.

The United States has been kept fully informed of the situation as it has developed, and Washington was informed of the contents of Mr. Chamberlain's statement before it was delivered.

It is emphasised in Whitehall that the decision to make a statement was not taken in view of the receipt of some disturbing information which was made public, but arose logically from the general tension in Europe, and the situation brought about by Germany's incursion into Bohemia and Moravia.

The German press anti-Polish campaign, and the general effectiveness on the Polish question, which would appear to be following the previous patterns, occasioned the feeling that not the slightest risk must be taken, especially in view of the speed with which events can now move.

The possibility of Polish-German negotiations with regard to Danzig are certainly not regarded as excluded by Mr. Chamberlain's statement. On the contrary, it is emphasised that the Prime Minister stated that the Government constantly advocated adjustment of differences by free negotiation.—Reuter.

Strong Support For Chamberlain

The first reaction among members of the House of Commons to the Prime Minister's statement on Britain's guarantee to Poland, was one

NEWS IS KNOWLEDGE

Question: How is Japan Governed?

ANSWER.—The Prime Minister is by no means the most important person in the Government.

The army and navy control every Japanese Cabinet.

At the head of the Constitution is the Emperor. Or rather he is above it. As "Imperial Son of Heaven," twenty-fourth divine descendant of the Sun Goddess, he is above criticism.

Nominally he has all executive power, which, in fact, is administered for him by the Board of Marshals and Admirals.

He appoints Ministers, who are responsible to him; while the vital posts of War and Navy Ministers are filled by service nominees who have direct access to the Emperor, and need not consult Cabinet or Parliament.

The two chief parties are the Selyu-kai and Minsei-to, who between them control 334 of the 460 seats of the Imperial Parliament. But since 1931 the results of elections have had no influence on the succession of appointed "non-party" Cabinets.

AIR MAIL DELAYED

The week-end air mail has been delayed a day, and is not expected at Kai Tak until 5 p.m. on Sunday.

The following passengers left by Imperial Airways plane yesterday: Mr. Marindas for Calcutta and Mrs. Chu for Hanoi.

SERVICE DISCONTINUED

Belgrade, Mar. 31.
The civil air service between Paris and Belgrade ceases on March 31. The agreement with Air France expires on April 1 and the Yugo-Slav Government refuse to renew.

The air line Paris-Bucharest which has hitherto touched at Belgrade will in future pass via Budapest—Trans-Ocean.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures of Planes

Outward
For London, Australia and British Countries: Imperial Airways 7 a.m. April 4; Imperial Airways 7 a.m. April 7.

For Chungking, Sian, etc. Eurasia and C.N.A.C. service indefinite.
For U.S.A., via Manila and Guam: Pan American Clipper March 6.

For France via Hanoi: Air France 6.30 a.m. April 1.

Inward
From London, Australia and British countries: Imperial Airways 5 p.m. April 2; Imperial Airways 5 p.m. April 5.

From U.S.A. via Guam, and Manila: Pan American Clipper March 5.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweilin: C.N.A.C., Eurasia Service indefinite.

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DIAMOND WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. George Piercy Celebrating

The announcement, in another column, of the Diamond Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George Piercy will recall to the memories of many old residents a highly esteemed couple whose name was a household word for forty years, and has been perpetuated here. The Diocesan Boys' School in Bonham Road was the centre from which Mr. and Mrs. Piercy wielded a beneficent influence which has left its mark on several hundreds of boys, many of whom have since become distinguished members of the community.

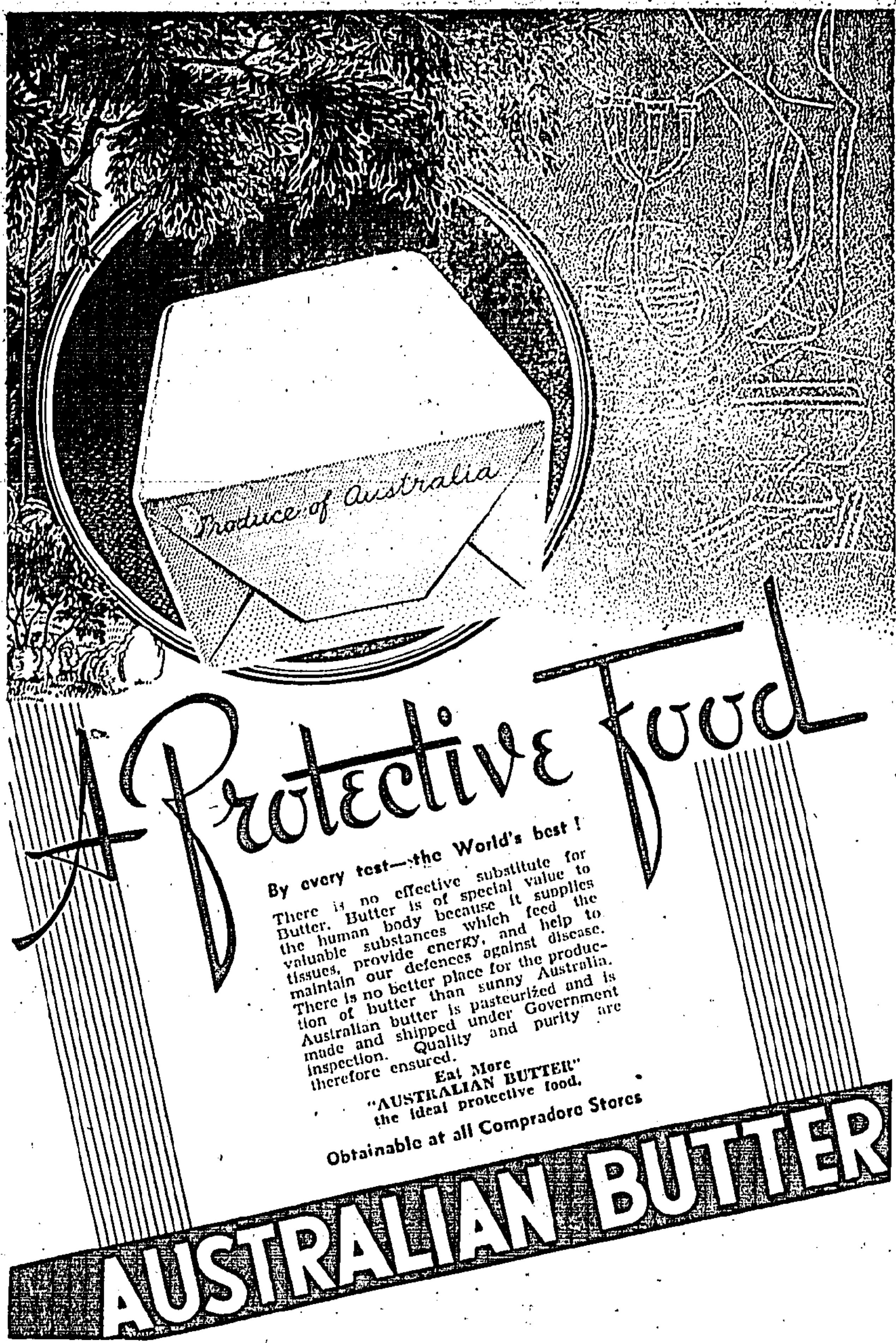
It was in the summer of 1878 that Mr. George Piercy, 3rd Master of the Government Central School, was appointed by the unanimous vote of the Committee of the Diocesan Boys' School as Headmaster in succession to Mr. L. M. D. Arthur. Mr. Piercy's appointment was "subject to the condition that he should marry within the next six months," and as will be seen from the wedding announcement, he duly carried out that condition on April 1, 1879. Mrs. Piercy acted as Matron of the School for 30 years, and after her resignation in 1909 she retained a lively interest in the School and its past pupils. In 1917 Mr. Piercy resigned his appointment, with effect from May 1918, and in accepting the resignation with sincere regret the Committee minutes as follows:

"Mr. Piercy has been chiefly responsible for the School attaining the position which it now holds in the Colony, and by his teaching and example has exercised a tremendous influence for good on the hundreds of boys who have been in the School during the period of nearly forty years during which he has been Headmaster, which has also been a period of brilliant successes in examinations."

Two Scholarships

As a mark of appreciation for Mr. Piercy's Headmastership, Old Boys and friends of the School raised a fund of \$3,000 to endow two scholarships known as the "Piercy Scholarships," which are awarded annually. Mr. Piercy was also a prominent figure in Masonic circles, and held various offices as well as being master of Zetland Lodge.

On leaving the Colony, Mr. and Mrs. Piercy, who were well known locally, expect to be in Victoria, B.C. Mr. Piercy has been handicapped by lameness, but Mrs. Piercy still applies her energy to church and social work, as she did in



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EMPIRE NEWS

DEMAND FOR CYCLES IN NEW ZEALAND

Auckland. Goods ordered from abroad without licences under the import control scheme are accumulating at the Customs sheds, pending appeals.

The restricted importation of cycles is embarrassing distributors. The quota has been reduced by 55 per cent. British firms are urging representations to the Government.

Annual requirements here are 30,000. The local output is a few dozen only. The New Zealand industry is not equipped for large scale production.

Gold Medal for Architects.—The New Zealand Institute of Architects' gold medal and diploma, awarded annually for a building of exceptional merit erected in New Zealand, have been awarded for 1938 in favour of the Public Library, Wanganui, designed by the firm of A. P. Morgan and Mr. H. L. Massey, of Auckland.

Air Force Expansion.—The Minister of Defence, Mr. F. Jones, announced recently that the Cabinet had approved the establishment of territorial air force flights at New Plymouth, Hastings and Invercargill. The metropolitan squadrons, he said, were to be strengthened.

CANADA

A TOWN WITHOUT UNEMPLOYED

Ottawa. Clifford, Ontario, in northern Wellington County, has set a unique record during the past four years by not spending one cent for direct relief.

The whole population is entirely self-supporting. Unemployment has been unknown for the past four years. Local rates are among the lowest in Canada.

Canada's True Role.—Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Prime Minister, stated in the House of Commons last night that Canada's true role in world affairs was that of interpreter between Great Britain and the United States. She had played this role, he said, in negotiating the trade agreement between Canada and the United States.

BRITISH GUIANA

UNIONS COMPLAIN OF INTIMIDATION

Georgetown. Five workers' unions, representing Government employees, appeared recently before the Royal Commission which is investigating labour conditions in the West Indies and British Guiana.

The union representatives insisted that their members were subject to intimidation and were threatened with victimisation by Government officials. The managing director of the Transport and Harbours Department was specifically mentioned.

Mr. Harper, Secretary of the Transport Workers' Union, and Mr. Mackenzie, President of the Seamen's Union, alleged that obstacles were raised to allowing the unions' secretaries to attend the daily sessions of the Royal Commission.

The Transport Commissioners in evidence recently stated that considerable improvement resulted last



Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Barten cut their wedding cake. The bride was formerly Miss Doris May Hunt.—King's Studio.

Scientist Finds Malayan "Alladin's Cave"

year from the representation of the workers' unions.

SOUTH AFRICA

WAGE INCREASES FOR 46,000

Capetown. Increases in wages for shop assistants of from 20 to 25 per cent, a 46-hour working week, sick leave, limitation of overtime, and other improvements in working conditions are provided for in the Draft Wage Board award which has been tabled in the House of Assembly.

It is estimated that the award will benefit 46,000 employees in the commercial distributive trade.

Appeal Judge Refuses.—Sir Jean Estienne de Villiers has tendered his resignation as Judge of Appeal.

BURMA

NO CONFIDENCE VOTE IN SENATE

Rangoon. For the first time the Burma Senate passed a vote of no confidence in the Government recently. The vote was carried by 20 votes to 1, the European and Indian members abstaining. It is not known what effect this will have on the Ministry, which faces a similar censure motion in the Lower House.

A MALAYAN "Alladin's cave" which may contain gold and silver may one day prove a treasure house for archaeologists.

The cave was discovered by Dr. H. G. Quaritch-Wales when carrying out archaeological investigations at Takung in Siam on the west coast of the Malay Peninsula just south of the Isthmus of Kra.

Dr. Wales was taken to the cave by a monk, and he describes the incident in his book "Towards Angkor."

Dr. Wales says that the mouth of the cave was blocked by a heavy fall of rock, but efforts to remove fallen blocks of stone and debris failed.

Eventually, with the aid of a prisoner from the local gaoi whose services were offered by a Siamese official, a narrow passage sufficient for one man to enter was cleared.

Dr. Wales wriggled through the aperture he had created but he saw that a further fall of rock had occurred a few yards away and he realised that without proper and further attempts at excavation might be dangerous.

"What sort of treasure may be there?" Dr. Wales writes. Ancient images? Almost certainly. Rare Chinese porcelain? Quite possibly. Gold and silver? Well I leave that to the explorer who may at some future time care to go to this Malayan "Alladin's cave" with a proper "open Sesame!"

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Old Lady Tells Secret of Her Vigour

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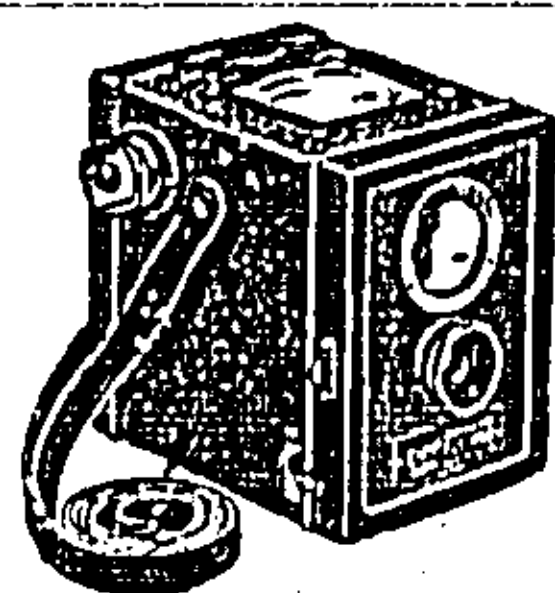
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DIAMOND WEDDING

PIERCY-SMAILES. On the 1st April, 1870, at St. John Cathedral by the Rev. R. Hayward Kidd, Colonial Chaplain, George Piercy Jnr., to Jane Smalles, daughter of the late Rev. R. Smalles of Selby, Yorkshire.

The **Hongkong Telegraph.**
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April 1, 1939

Fog

THE WEATHER man calls it the meeting place between a humidity-laden tropical and a cold, dry winter frost. Most people just call it fog.

Of all the elements that now and then disrupt the even tenor of our complex ways of mechanised motion, it is safe to say fog is still the most defiant, the most puzzling phenomenon inventors have tried to solve. We climb the highest mountains and ford the deepest streams; we can make a whisper heard around the world; we can even vault the clouds, but we can't see through them. When a cloud comes to rest upon the earth, as it has rested along the China coast these past 72 hours, the rule of the right of way becomes abortive, sirens shriek sometimes in vain.

Collision at sea is one of the most likely penalties of man's inability to conquer this phenomenon of Nature. Two great liners met head-on; tragedy is so unexpected that nothing can be done to avert it.

Fortunate indeed that both the *Marchal Joffre* and the *Canton* were "crawling along the high seas."

Modern research has made ships invulnerable, almost, to all but this menace. It has tamed almost all the forces of nature. All but that tantalising, moisture-laden wraith which—as someone once said—still "comes on little cat feet," and snarls at puny man's efforts to penetrate it like a ball of yarn.

Another S.O.S.

FOG IS not the only thing that brought distress signals from British ships this week.

On Thursday, we published a full account of the warning issued by the Imperial Shipping Committee, which has just completed a survey lasting two years.

German and Italian liners of more luxurious build and higher speeds are already beating British ships on the Far Eastern routes. But the keenest menace is from the "great and growing Japanese Mercantile Marine."

Japan grants ever-rising State subsidies; her operating costs are lower and her fleets are controlled by a few big houses with wide ancillary interests.

Whereas British lines are not hauling together, and keep too few representatives in the Far East.

If the British Government does not lay out more money to put new vessels on this important route Britain's supremacy, already lost, will never be retrieved.

This is ALL FOOLS' DAY These Men Fooled the World

By
G. M. MURRAY

How witty, how ingenious, yet how hatched in your simple fun you are, all you jolly leg-pullers.

This day, consecrated to All Fools, you have licence for your practical joking. For myself, I have no talent for such deception. I am the poor gawk who always falls for it.

But, you pullers away of chairs, you tellers of transparent fibs—are you so far advanced in the arts of hocus-pocus? There are degrees in deception, and Masterpieces in mendacity.

Higher than the humble students of japing who run riot on April the First are those professors (usually undergraduates) who dress as foreign potentates or scientists and get their selves elite receptions among the still-dreaming sires.

Received in State

REMEMBER the late W. H. de Vere Cole? While he was at Cambridge he impersonated the Sultan of Zanzibar. Was received by the Mayor and Town Clerk, and shown round the colleges. He was even taken to his own room, and someone said, "Mr. Cole is away, but he won't mind."

Once he was received in state as a diplomat accompanying two Abyssinian princes aboard H.M.S. *Dreadnought* at Portland. Disguised as a navy, he dug a hole in Piccadilly-circus, roped it round, and left it.

In the Haymarket one day he got a man to hold the end of a piece of string, saying that it was concerned with important surveying work. Then round the corner he persuaded another butt to hold the other end of the string—and took the next bus home.

Leg-puller Cole was easily the most famous British hoaxer of modern times, though he was run in, close by, by *deodore Hook*, who died nearly 100 years ago.

Historic Jest

THE Berners-street jest is historic. Hook issued invitations to prominent people and orders to tradesmen in the name of a woman against whom he had a grudge. During the whole of the following day Berners-street was a tangled mass of vehicles, ranging from the equipages of a duke and the Lord Mayor to the donkey-cart of the local sweep.

Not in the place of a donkey to the "Captain of Koepnick," the cobbler who impersonated a military officer and for days made heels click and guards turn out in pre-war Prussia.

But such as these rank below the great romancers like Baron Munchausen, whose thunderings bore the stamp of genius.

Observe the technique of Munchausen—or, rather, of his creator, one Rudolf Eric Raspe, a clever scamp who published his marvellous adventures in 1795.

Here is no pettifoggish fibbing such as one would dismiss with a shrug of the shoulders. Every single statement is so incredible that if it stood alone no one would believe it. Every lie is in the company of others just as barefaced so that it assumes its proper proportion and is swallowed in the glamorous whole.

Look at this passage from Munchausen:

"The only circumstance which happened on our voyage, worth relating was the wonderful effects of a storm, which had torn up by the roots a great number of trees of enormous bulk and height, in an island where we lay at anchor to take in wood and water; some of these trees weighed many tons, yet they were carried by the wind so amazingly high that they appeared like the feathers of small birds floating in the air, for they were at least five miles above the earth; however, as soon as the storm subsided they all fell perpendicularly into their respective places, and took root again."

Note the deprecatory touch of the born spell-binder. This stupendous lie was "the only circumstance worth relating." And before the reader recovers, the Baron is off on some other grand cock-and-bull story.

"Frozen Tunes"

ON a journey by coach the postilion was unable to sound his horn, which, on arrival at an inn, was hanging at a peg near the fire.

"Suddenly we heard a 'terenci terenci' tengl. We looked around, and now found the reason why the postilion had not been able to sound his horn; his tunes were frozen up by the horn and not by the thawing."

Poland he ties his horse to what appears to be the pointed stump of

a tree and goes to sleep in the snow. In the morning:

"It is not easy to conceive my astonishment to find myself in the midst of a village lying in a churchyard, nor was my horse to be seen, but I heard him soon after neigh somewhere above me. On looking upwards I beheld him hanging by his bridle to the weathercock of the steeple."

The village had been hidden under the snow, and a thaw coming while the Baron was asleep, he had been so weakly to the ground. But how to get the horse down?

"Without long consideration I took one of my pistols, shot the bridle in two, brought down the horse, and proceeded on my journey."

Oh, well! Such little aides as these, sparkling with colour but thrown off as incidental to the Baron's main narrative, lent reality to the marvellous adventures of our other adventurer, Louis de Rougemont, as told by himself to a wondering England in 1808.

The burden of his tale was that he had spent 28 years among the aborigines of Australia. A perishing expedition he joined at Singapore ran into a tempest which swept overboard everyone except himself. He was wrecked on a sandbank in the Timor Sea, where he lived for two years in a house made of pearl shells, with only the ship's dog for company.

Turtle-riding

ONE day four Australian blackfellows, blown out of their course by a storm, landed on a sandspit. Between them they built a boat which took them to Australia. Then began de Rougemont's life as a kind of "King of the Cannibals." He married a native wife and took her on a 1,500-mile canoe journey which lasted 16 months.

Finally he rescued two English girls from the harem of a cannibal chief and ended his aboriginal career with the Dr. Livingstone such. Marching into the camp of some white blazers, he said, "Hallo, boys!"—and that was that.

This was magnificent stuff, but the embroideries were even more brilliant. De Rougemont described how he got ashore from the wreck by hanging with his teeth on to the dog's tail;

How he had seen an "octopus of enormous size" drag a boat and a Malay diver under the sea;

How he beguiled the time on his sandbank by riding turtles up and down the lagoon.

He read papers before the Royal Geographical Society and the British Association. There was such a crowd of scientists and their friends to hear him that the Princes Theatre, Bristol (where the Association was meeting), was taken for that occasion only. He was an honoured guest among pro-consuls at the John Cabot Memorial banquet of that year.

Crumbling Statue

IN a speech punctuated with laughter and cheers he described himself modestly as "such a Victorian ruler," and told how he had drawn on a rock a huge picture of Queen Victoria to give the poor heathen some idea of the British Empire.

"I even made a colossal clay statue of the Prince of Wales (Edward VII.), representing him armed with many throwing spears, but unfortunately the hot sun caused him to go to pieces very much more quickly than he could have wished. Here, then, you have in a few words the strange and humble part I have played in the government of the British Empire."

With his "crumbling statue" de Rougemont showed the true Munchausen touch (remember the melting snow). It was all glorious April fooling.

Disillusionment began when it was found that de Rougemont was a former Swiss manservant named Henri Louis Grin. Certainly he had been in Australia, had done a little pearl-fishing, and may have lived for short periods among the blacks. But for 17 years this "modern Robinson Crusoe" had lived respectably in Sydney.

Flying Wombats

THEN his turtle-riding feats were derided. He gave several disappointing exhibitions to try to prove his veracity, but he was laughed out of court. Curiously enough, later voyagers in Australia found that the aborigines did, in slide turtles on the seashore, though they were not clever enough to sail them in deep water.

What really brought de Rougemont down was his reference to "flying wombats." The wombat is a small, fat, shaggy animal, and as a bear in appearance, and as earth-bound as an elephant.

But if the wombat had had eagle's wings it would never have been such a high-flyer as Monsieur de Rougemont!

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"It's All Fools' Day, sir—shall I pull your chair from under you?"

PENNIES THAT BECAME MILLIONS

T. Paul Gregory Writes a short biography of one of Hongkong's most interesting figures.

A GREAT figure of the Colony of a generation ago, was that well-beloved Parsee gentleman, Sir Hormusjee Naorojee Mody, Kt., a personality whose name will forever be perpetuated by the most splendid evidence of his generosity—the University of Hongkong.

Like that of his business associate Sir Paul Catchick Chater—Sir Hormusjee Mody was a name by which to conjure up romance; for his career of achievement has seldom been surpassed—rising from a subordinate position, to that of a great capitalist, whose wealth was largely employed in the betterment of the community in which he lived and made his fortune.

SIR Hormusjee Mody was born at Bombay, India, on October 12, 1838. His father, Mr. Navrojee Mody, was a schoolmaster, and like most of his profession in India, was poor, so that his son was forced to earn his own living at an early age. The hard struggle through which he passed in his youth, led him to dream of the Far East, where, as he afterwards said, "the glories of the gorgeous East so enamoured his boyish fancy that he determined to come to China at the first opportunity."

His chance soon came, and at the age of twenty, he arrived in Hongkong. His condition in life was to say the least at the lowest ebb; for he landed without a copper in his pocket. With nothing else but his youthful exuberance, he set himself to the task of carving out a career. He was fortunate in securing a position as a minor clerk in an Indian mercantile firm, and in this capacity he remained for a number of years. Then he decided that he was well enough acquainted with local conditions to warrant going into business on his own account, and set himself up as an auctioneer of opium. He pursued this calling with various vicissitudes until larger schemes absorbed his attention, and about 1870, he joined Paul Chater (afterwards Sir Paul), then a young man in his twenties, and together, the two embarked on a career which was to prove almost meteoric in its success.

ONE factor which undoubtedly proved a great help to his career was his knowledge of the conditions existing in India, as they would affect Hongkong and China. Thus, he was enabled to profit by situations which arose from time to time, of which the average Hongkong merchant was entirely ignorant, and was at a loss how to cope with.

His vocation of opium auctioneer required the greatest business acumen; for in the old days, the state of the opium market in India was only learned upon the arrival of the cargo vessel in the Hongkong harbour. It is interesting to note that the arrival of such a craft was indicated by the appearance of her top-sails or smoke-stack as the case might be, and the broker or auctioneer who had first information of these signs, made it his immediate business to get aboard as speedily as

possible, in order that he might learn first hand the state of the market. It is needless to state that the one who obtained this information from the ships on board, and then reached the shore quickly, was in a position to make use of his exclusive information to some purpose in the Hongkong, Canton, and Macao markets, by forestalling the trade in these ports.

FROM auctioneer, his next step was to become a power on the local Stock Exchange, and in the late 'eighties and early 'nineties, he came into such prominence that he became known as the "Napoleon of the Bazaar." But even in these later days, when success had already come to him, he was subject to considerable ups and downs, being at one time, as he stated in his own words, "reduced to a condition of having no more in his pocket than the price of his tiffin."

Such unpropitious circumstances did not deter him from embarking upon the most ambitious commercial adventure in his career—that of exploiting the mineral resources of Tonkin. With his business associate, Sir Paul Chater, he successfully operated the famous Charbonnages Mines. These with the inexhaustible resources brought him fortune, and the enterprise was greatly appreciated by the French authorities. Indeed, so much was his worth realised by them that the Republic of France bestowed upon him, the decoration of the Legion d'Honneur.

WHILE his fame has been eclipsed to a certain extent by the achievements of Sir Paul Chater, he was nevertheless a leader in many activities, and during Sir Paul's absence from the Colony in 1900, he acted as Consul for Siam. During his tenure of office, the ruler of that kingdom died, and upon him devolved the task of performing the important consular duties on that occasion. His valuable services were recognised by a special despatch of thanks from His Royal Highness Prince Dewawongse, Minister for Foreign Affairs in Siam.

IN local sporting activities, Sir Hormusjee Mody was well-known, and was especially an ardent supporter of horse racing. Local newspapers of thirty and more years ago in their accounts of the annual racing events of the period, lay great stress on the number of winners led in by him past the Grand Stand.

It was, of course, as a public benefactor that he was most widely known. But it was not only his many acts of philanthropy which gained for him such high esteem, but also the fact that he was a man who was at all times "a simple-hearted gentleman, with all the qualities that go to make up the character of one's fellow-men."

His munificence gave to Hongkong its magnificent university; for it was due to his initiative, more than to the efforts of any other individual, that this institution of learning owes its existence.

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PICTORIAL SUPPLEMENT

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 1956

Interesting Local Events



LADY GOLFERS. Group photograph taken at the recent annual Spring Meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club at Fanling.—Ming Yuen.



CHINESE BOY SCOUTS. Members of the 8th Kowloon (Sham-shui-po) Group Boy Scouts who were responsible for the organisation of a concert for charity recently held at the Po Hing Theatre.—Photonews.



HONGKONG POLICE. Members of the Hongkong Police Training School photographed recently.—Ming Yuen.



NEWLYWEDS. Captain A. J. N. Warrack, of the Royal Army Medical Corps, and his bride, the former Miss F. M. Sharp, leaving St. John's Cathedral after their recent wedding.—King's Studio.

As finely sensitive as a violin

is the

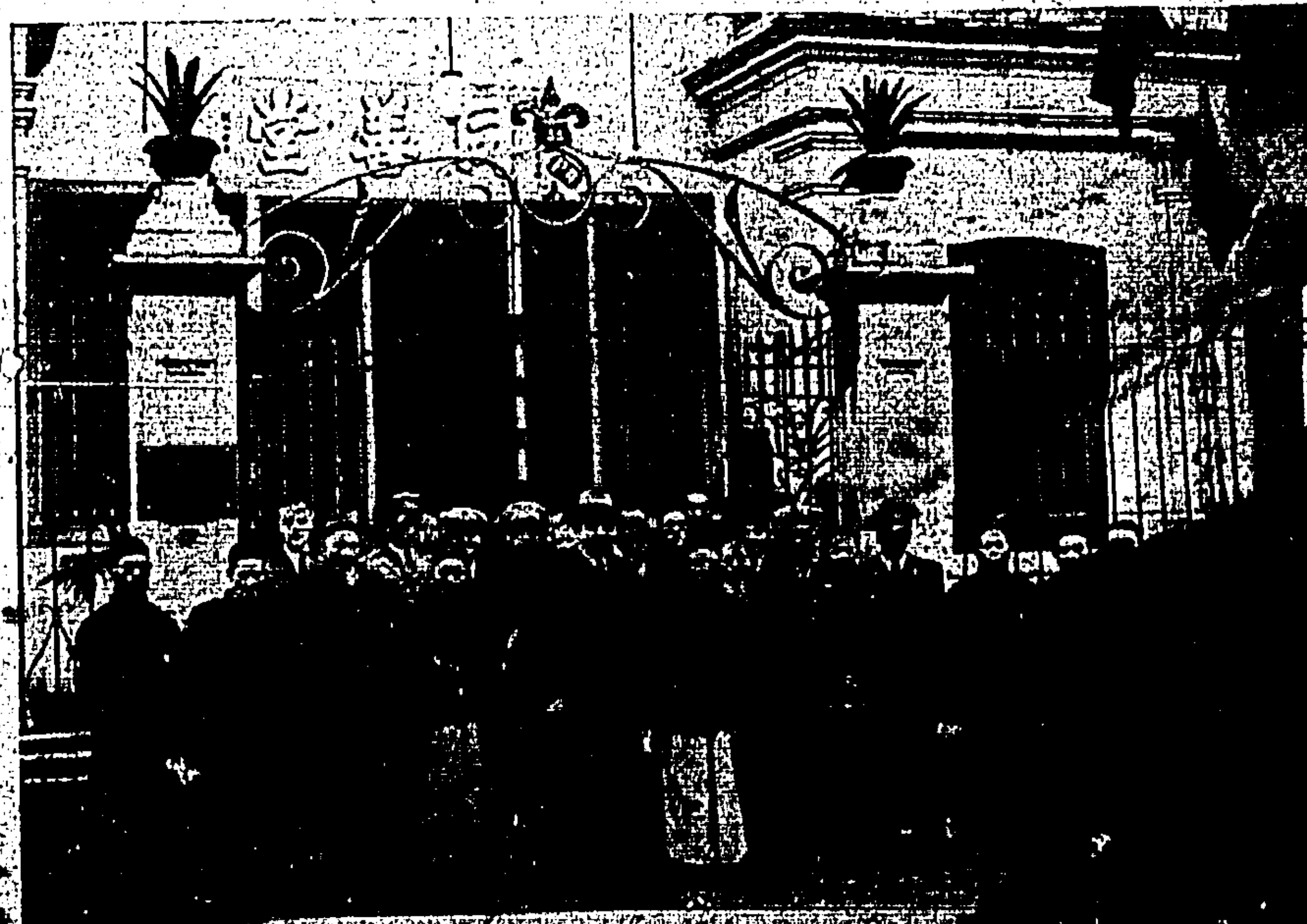
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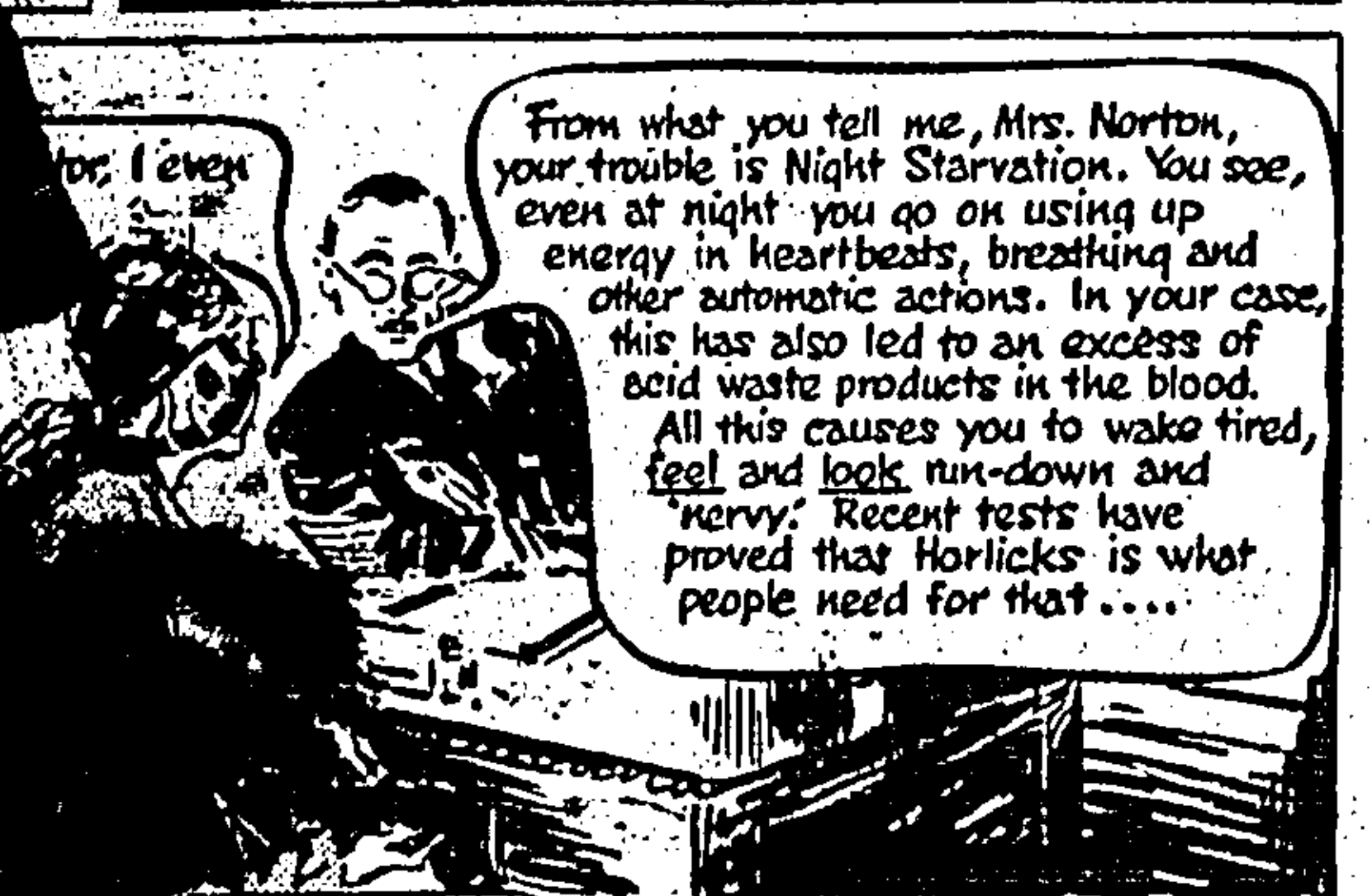


MACAO MEDICAL INSTITUTION. Portuguese and Chinese doctors gathered at the recent opening of the Macao Medical Institution, devoted to emergency medical aid for the Chinese population.—Ming Yuen.

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...nothing worth get-
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...youngsters...
...the police for...
...warehouse (a...
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...of the boys...
...and there...
...fun in their...
...boy and the...
...of her butler...
...love into it so...
...by making a girl...
...costume like a...
...leader of the dum boys...
...has a curfew of bashing...
...unions, and a shortage of...
...habits?...
...is a rowdy, extravagant show...
...and there will be plenty of laughter...
...in spite of the reformation of the...
...little tough guys" at the end, their...
...departure is noisy and mischievous...
...enough to suggest that we may see...
...them again...
...Edward Everett Horton's butler...
...who catches the slang infection and...
...dances the "Big Apple," is the most...
...amusing figure.

—even on AFTERNOONS



Of Course You Know, But Are You Sure?

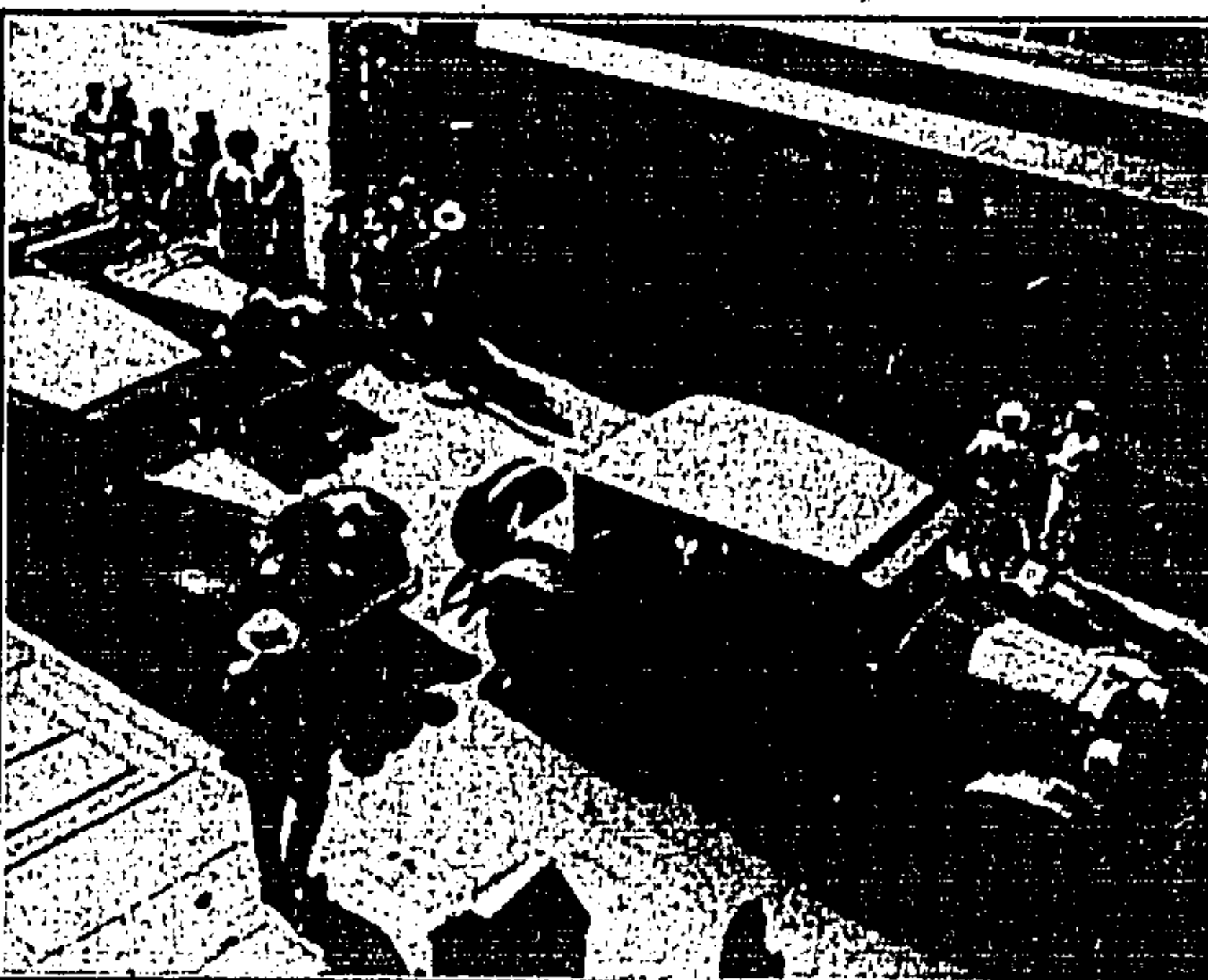
WELL, are you lined up at the barrier for this week's event? You know how to score—two points for each correct answer, a total of 30 just gets you into a place, 40 you are running nicely and 50, I'm afraid, looks suspiciously like a case for the stewards.

- 1.—Either my English master made a mug of me or else John Milton, of Paradise Lost fame, really did:
Get beheaded; go blind; drink himself to death; get drowned; die in the Wars of the Roses; write The Pilgrim's Progress.
- 2.—When the King goes to India and holds a public levee it is officially described as a:—
Panjandrum; Durban; Durbar; Durbin; Derby; Howdah; Safari; Field of the Cloth of Gold.
- 3.—Sicily, which is off the south of Italy, has a pretty famous volcano, and as volcanoes go it is a jolly good one. Its name is:—
Popocatepetl; Vesuvius; Etna; Fuji-yama; Everest; Appalachian; Blanc.
- 4.—When an incoming ship has a patient suffering from an infectious disease aboard it:
Goes full speed astern; drops both anchors; floods the bilges; flies a yellow flag; issues gas masks to its stewards; demands a bill of lading.
- 5.—You are always pretty certain of finding a davit:
In a zoo; on a golf course; in a ship; in an ironmongery store; in a church.
- 6.—As probably already you have arranged about your Easter holidays you should not have to dash to a calendar to find out that Easter Monday is:
March 31; April 4; April 8; April 10; April 12; May 1.
- 7.—When the infant is howling in the still watches you might get some comfort by airing your knowledge to the wife by telling her that the first, teeth junior will cut will be:
Molars; bicuspids; incisors; canine; wisdom; false.
- 8.—"All my eye and Betty Martin" is a way—a bit old-fashioned these days, I fear—of expressing:
Excitement; love; admiration; hatred; disbelief; repugnance; joy; sorrow.
- 9.—The odds are against your not getting married some day, so it's just as well to know that at the altar the bridegroom stands:
Right out in front of the bride; at her left side; at her right; five paces to the rear; as far away as he can get.
- 10.—And afterwards if the right thing is done it will be seen to that the bridegroom does not have to fork out for:
The music (if any); the clergyman's fee; the bride's bouquet; the wedding ring; the wedding reception; tip to the verger.
- 11.—And, if the couple see the distance, on their 40th wedding day you can congratulate them on celebrating their:
Golden wedding; diamond wedding; silver wedding; tin wedding; ruby wedding; crystal wedding.
- 12.—A lyre has:
Two pedals; five strings; 88 keys; a mouthpiece; bellows; a smooth tongue.
- 13.—In the event of someone presenting you with a casserole the right and proper thing to do with it would be to:
Wear it over your shoulders; put it in a comfortable kennel; add it to your library; cook in it; hang it with your other masterpieces.
- 14.—Without the bother of going over to count the population can you say off hand that the largest city in South America is:
Buenos Aires; Lima; Valparaiso; Rio de Janeiro; Barcelona; Santiago.
- 15.—Just now the President of the Chinese Republic is:
Lin Sen; Sun Yat Sen; Chiang Kai-shek; Tao-ling; Dim Sim.
- 16.—It shouldn't be hard for you to know your kings these days—Leopold is King of:
Spain; Italy; Norway; Sweden; Belgium; Portugal; Holland.
- 17.—And just to prove you really do know your current history the leader of the Spanish Government is:
Franco; Negrin; Azana; Vespuceli; Columbus; Alphonso.
- 18.—If, as a kid, you took just an average interest in your geography lessons, you will remember that one of these is not a wind:
Monsoon; pampere; chinook; tycoon; typhoon.
- 19.—Also—and this will take you back to your elementary geography lessons—Afghanistan is in the continent of:
Europe; Asia; Australia; Africa; America.
- 20.—Ah well, I suppose there is some excuse for your not knowing that a banneret is a:
Soldier's cartridge belt; small banner; legal term knight; sort of biscuit.
- 21.—Except in abnormal cases a man's heart beats faster when he is:
An infant; a youth; middle-aged; elderly.
- 22.—That animal the sloth—you know, the one that used to be in all the cross-word puzzles—is a strange creature because it can:
Fly; live without food; kill an elephant; live upside down; change its colour; run faster than any other animal.
- 23.—Supposing you had to keep one of these animals in your backyard and you wanted the one that made the least noise, you would select the:
Elephant; goat; puma; giraffe; bull; orang utan.
- 24.—Marmot is the name of a:
Small monkey; beef extract; rodent; bird; Norwegian fiord; a French line of forts.
- 25.—Sable Island, which is south-west of Nova Scotia (if you know where that is, and if you don't it doesn't matter), is famous for its:
Black cats; milk coats; shipwrecks; fortifications; aerodromes; strict criminal code.

(Answers on Page 3)

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

BE A PHOTO HISTORIAN



The story of our times is being told for the next generation by amateur photographers who take and preserve simple scenes of present-day life, such as this.

DID it ever occur to you that as the owner of an amateur camera you are blessed with the means of making a valuable and truly significant record of the times in which you live? Magazine, newspaper, news-rol and other professional photographers are doing just that every day and a vast store of pictorial history is accumulating.

Thanks to the progress and spread of photography our descendants are going to know much more about the way we lived and acted than we know of the way our great-grandfathers did. Through these millions of photographs of life and action now being taken our descendants will possess visual evidence of the things we did, how we dressed, how life went on in city and country. Contrast the advantage they will have over this generation which has to rely upon the descriptions of writers and the work of artists for its understanding of life prior to the introduction of photography scarcely more than two generations ago. However accurate the work of writers and artists, may be, it cannot equal the reality and truthfulness of photography.

We amateur photographers, now millions strong in every country, are also making a tremendous contribution to this photographic record of our time. Few of us, however, are doing it by design. Most of us take pictures for the present amusement of ourselves, families and friends with not so much thought to their value and interest to our children's children. Too few of us take pains to preserve the pictures we take.

Well, what do you say to the idea

of becoming a photographic historian for the benefit of your own posterity? This you can do effectively even on a small scale. It simply means making a collection of pictures, taken by yourself, best representing the life, customs, dress and activities of the present day and placing them in a special album to keep and hand down as a family possession. Some of these pictures will seem commonplace now but as interesting and valuable forty or fifty years hence as those of the "gay nineties" are to us.

Select subjects which in your judgment are most typical of the current scene. Certainly you should not neglect to include your own home life, street scenes and other views about your changing city, the homes of the rich and the homes of the poor, life in the country and present types of automobiles, airplanes, railroad trains and other things in general use which today spell modern life and tomorrow will be obsolete.

You should not fail to include off-guard snapshots of people doing things illustrative of common life—what the artists call genre pictures. Make your camera your companion especially in traveling and be ready for these. For example, a shot out of your car window of a scene on the platform of a railroad station may seem ordinary enough today but it is a snapshot of common life. Years hence this picture will be a curiosity. The modern scene is constantly changing. There is no other medium than photography which can show so truly after a lapse of years what these changes have been.

John van Gulldey.

Greenock Co-operative Party and China

THE following question dealing with the communication of the Greenock Co-operative Party to the Prime Minister on the subject of withdrawal of aggressors from China, was asked in the House of Commons recently:

Mr. R. Gibson asked the Prime Minister whether he has considered the communication addressed to him

from the Greenock Co-operative Party regarding, inter alia, the taking of action by the Government, with other democratic countries, to secure the withdrawal of all aggressors from China; and whether he has any statement to make regarding the matter which is contained.

The Prime Minister: Yes, Sir, and the views expressed in the letter have been noted.

PUZZLE CORNER

Cryptogram

Here is a reference to a new process:

QUIPZJUL KQU ZQNNOU
RUSOT Q UOV NTAKOBB CI
VZJKZ DFEE JB KAUGOT-
POS PA VAAE HQUKI
BEJNNJUL AU AUO'B CTO-
QPHQBP QUS OQPJUL AUO'B
GOBP.

Hidden Trees

The names of 10 different trees are hidden in the square below. These names read only from left to right or down never diagonally:

CHWILHO
OESYLIM
AKTCOWE
SHNAMB
POUTOER
EPOOREC
LMLARH

Letter Juggling

Two different 5-letter words may be formed from the 5 letters given below. Use all 5 letters in each word!
A M R S W

How Much?

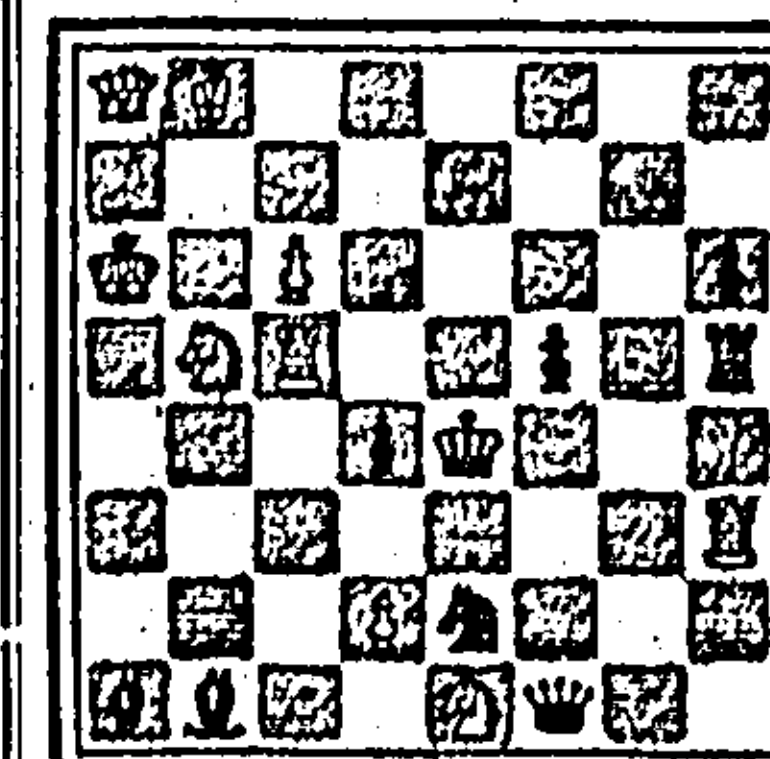
Two boys earn \$38 by taking passengers in a motorboat. If

CHES PROBLEMS

Nos. 95-96

Problem No. 95

Black 9 Pieces

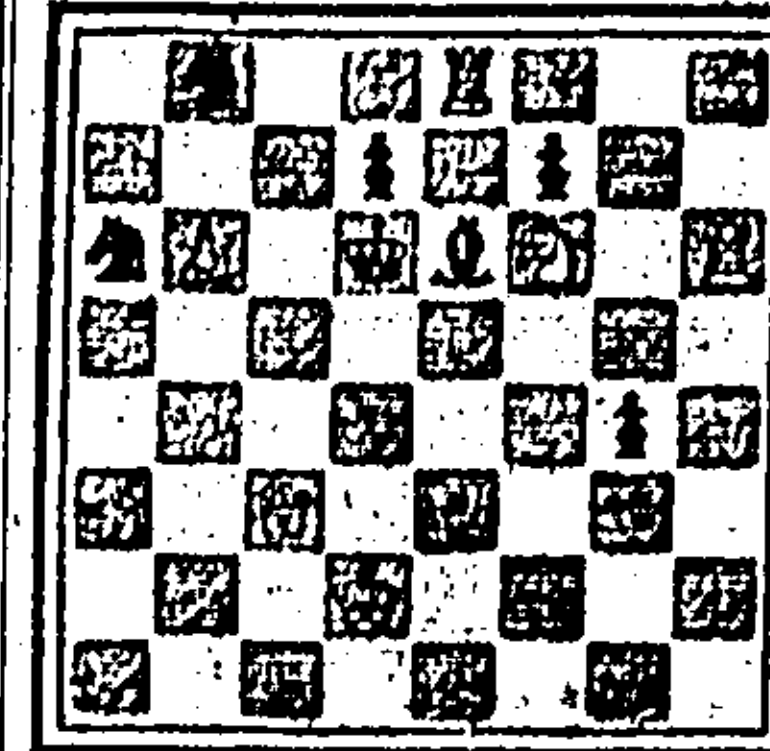


White 9 Pieces

White to play and mate in two.

Problem No. 96

Black 7 Pieces



White 6 Pieces

White to play and mate in three.

SOLUTIONS TO LAST WEEK'S PROBLEMS

No. 93 1. Q-K6 PxQ

No. 94 1. Q-K10 D-K3

2. Kt-Q2 QxPch

3. Q-K10 threatens

the boy who owns the boat receives \$10 more than the other boy, how much does each receive?

Fun With Antonyms

More words and their antonyms to be paired off to-day:

1	mighty	trifling
2	attentive	glittering
3	sorrowful	weak
4	important	unruly
5	modern	grating
6	shy	joyous
7	torpid	heedless
8	murky	brassy
9	melodious	primitive
10	obedient	restless

(Answers Appear on Page 3)

A Lay Sermon

THERE are two kinds of teaching, one based on text-book knowledge, the other on intimate experience. The scribes knew their scriptures from A to Z, but they had no Gospel for the people because theirs was a religion of tradition and form.

Schoolchildren, as a general rule, sum up He taught them their teachers as one having a shrewdly-re- authority, call that, for me, Matthew vii. 29 masters fell into two categories: those who gave us sums to do and marked the results in our exercise-books (usually, in my case, with an ominous cross); and those who, instead of insisting that we must "show the working," wrote out the sums on the black-board and took joy in explaining the working themselves. These latter taught with authority.

So with Jesus, when He taught, for He always showed the working. The scribes could quote by the hour and the yard, but the Son of God could demonstrate. The Saviour expounded the Law; the Saviour explained the Love behind it. The scribes taught of God by the book; Jesus it was, as with us it should be, "We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen."

Income-Tax In Germany

BERLIN. Germany's bachelors, spinsters and childless married couples, who since the issue of the income-tax laws have been waiting anxiously to see how much they will have to pay, learnt their fate when they opened their newspapers recently.

Unmarried persons with an income of not more than 4,250 marks—£212 10s at par—found that no additional demands are to be made on them.

For couples, on the other hand, who have been married for five years without having any children the increase affects all incomes above 675 marks, or £33 15s.

The following table shows the income tax to be paid by unmarried persons and childless couples who have been married for five years, as compared with the previous scales in force since October, 1935.

For unmarried people:

Income	Old Tax	New Tax	In Britain
£250	£41 12s 6d	£44 2s 6d	£8 0s 6d
£500	£80 4s 6d	£84 11s 6d	£16 0s 6d
£750	£119 6s 6d	£124 11s 6d	£24 0s 6d
£1,000	£158 12s 6d	£164 11s 6d	£32 0s 6d
£1,250	£197 12s 6d	£204 11s 6d	£40 0s 6d
£1,500	£236 12s 6d	£244 11s 6d	£48 0s 6d
£1,750	£275 12s 6d	£284 11s 6d	£56 0s 6d
£2,000	£314 12s 6d	£324 11s 6d	£64 0s 6d
£2,250	£353 12s 6d	£364 11s 6d	£72 0s 6d
£2,500	£392 12s 6d	£404 11s 6d	£80 0s 6d
£2,750	£431 12s 6d	£444 11s 6d	£88 0s 6d
£3,000	£470 12s 6d	£484 11s 6d	£96 0s 6d
£3,250	£509 12s 6d	£524 11s 6d	£104 0s 6d
£3,500	£548 12s 6d	£564 11s 6d	£112 0s 6d
£3,750	£587 12s 6d	£604 11s 6d	£120 0s 6d
£4,000	£626 12s 6d	£644 11s 6d	£128 0s 6d
£4,250	£665 12s 6d	£684 11s 6d	£136 0s 6d

For childless couples married over 5 years:

Childless couples who have been married less than five years still pay according to the old scale.

Girls' and Boys' Corner



This is all my own work

Address

Name

Age

Dear Kiddies,
The painting and crayoning entries were really splendid this week, kiddies. I found it difficult to choose the winning entries. However, after careful consideration I have decided to award the prizes this week to:
Paul Vasson (aged 12), 6, Hill Wood Road, 1st floor.
Alice Pan (aged 9½), 63 B, Wong Not Chong Road.
Mina Pillal (aged 7), 203, Pokfulam.
Coupons are being sent to Paul, Alice and Mina which I want them to bring to the "Hongkong Telegraph" offices in Wyndham Street. The coupons will then be exchanged for money prizes.
Specially commended for excellent work are the following:

Seniors: Derek Stokoe, Lo Pul-kin, Yeung Kit-wa, Mary An, Charles E. Clark, Oleg Julebin, Kostia Daniloff, John E. R. Gordon, Hameedah el Arcull.
Intermediates: Florence Waller, John White, Fred Lee, Joan Agnes Daniel, C. Rozeskiw.
Juniors: Elizabeth Oliver, Susan Wood (Tai Po), Frankie Correa, S. S. Bux, Shona McIntyre, David Asche, Gerald Marshall, Horst Kerner, Ann (you did not give your last name), June Gordon, Jack Dobson, P. Wong, Rosalind Silver, Pauline Neubronner, Frank Daniel.
This week, kiddies, we are having a most interesting competition. Study the picture above carefully and pick out as many words as possible which begin with the letter "D" such as

Dunce, Door, Decimal etc. When you have listed all the words, fill in the name, age and address coupon and send your entries to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph" Wyndham Street. The competition closes at 2 p.m. on Wednesday. Three prizes will again be awarded—one for the best in each section.
Best wishes, kiddies.

Uncle Eddie

BOOK-REVIEWS

Fallen Bastions

OVER five years ago the thunder of artillery was echoing in the streets of Vienna's suburbs.

Yawning fissures appeared in the walls of the great workers' apartment houses, the pride of Vienna's Social Democrats, as the shells fired by Chancellor Dollfuss' troops found their mark.

The work of stamping out democracy in Austria was in full swing.

Those shells and the machine-gun bullets that mowed down the workers were clearing the way for the grey-uniformed Reichswehr troops who marched in triumph Vienna's Ringstrasse four years later, says G. E. R. Gedye in his latest book *Fallen Bastions* (Gollancz, 16s.).

Mr. Gedye is no "Red" journalist. He is, and has been, for thirteen years correspondent in Central Europe for right-wing English papers, is now correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" in Prague and has earned the reputation of being one of the best informed English newspaper men on Central European affairs.

His book's main value lies in its admirable description of the principal events and the background leading up to the fall of the first bastion against German expansion to the East. He tells of the fast moving events on that night nearly a year ago when Chancellor Schuschnigg announced over the Vienna radio that Austria was no more. Expelled from Austria

as soon as the Nazis came, the author was sent to Czechoslovakia, which seven months later became the second fallen bastion. There history, culminating in the Munich Agreement, repeated itself.

Leaving aside the nice point of with or without honour, Mr. Chamberlain, was this peace? Mr. Gedye's answer is "No." That the vital defences of pacific Europe against a world war and the world hegemony of Germany have been given up without a blow.

THIS view is shared by another Central European newspaperman, Mr. Sydney Morrell, who was formerly on the staff of the "Daily Herald," but who acted in Prague for the "Daily Express."

In *I Saw the Crucifixion* (Peter Davies, 7s. 6d.), he describes the last poignant days of Czechoslovakia.

Vividly he tells of the Czechs' hopes slowly changing from consternation to despair as the full import of Britain's "mediation" dawned on them.

His eye-witness accounts of the fortnight preceding the Munich Agreement, the storming of the Czech police stations by Nazis, the brutal murders and the terror are admirably done.

His incursions into the international political problem are not so sound as when, for example, he says and repeats that the independence of Austria was guaranteed by Britain and France at Stresa.

But these two "men on the spot" have one thing in common. It is the belief that the Munich Agreement was not only a dishonourable betrayal of Czechoslovakia, but an inexplicable betrayal of Britain's interests, too.



LILL PALMER
The amazing story of Lill Palmer's exile from Germany and her reappearance as an international star is just one of the many fascinating personal stories told in "Strangers Everywhere"—an entertaining and moving book by Fern (John Lane, 7s. 6d.). Humour and pity are admirably blended in this neat collection of human documents about Europe's refugees who have made good in new surroundings.

Reviews In Brief

Justly Dear, by E. Thornton Cook (John Murray, 7s. 6d.). A quiet novel about those two literary Lambs, Charles and Mary, with some of the lions of the time as well.

The Long Valley, by John Steinbeck (Heinemann, 7s. 6d.). Sixteen powerful imaginative short stories from America, dealing in cruelty, tragedy, and death. The longest, "The Red Pony," presents memorably the working of a child's mind and feelings.

BE READER WHEN

ENOVEL which is a simple, vivid folk-tale has great pleasure. It is *Secret*, by Miss D. Sutton (Longmans).

It presents with no actor's exaggeration a "savage" one of the African continent and the "civilised" Belgian Congo coast town at the end of the last century.

An inquiring herdman through forests to discover whether the legend of the men exist in the real world.

He finds with the rush of a new discovery that the legend is true.

Wiser than his home to his lonely wild cattle, the preying wild wife, who, in his absence, wisdom in her own way.

The author's brought alive the odd peep inhabitants of the She has been even more conveying the rugged peepable lot of jungle life, good book of an unusual

Are You

- 1 Go blind.
- 2 Dumb.
- 3 Etna.
- 4 Flies a yellow.
- 5 In a ship.
- 6 April 10.
- 7 Incubus.
- 8 Disbelief.

News About Music

RECENTLY a very special little centenary "look" place. In Conway Hall, Red Lion Square, a memorial tablet to Alfred J. Clements was unveiled.

There may be those who ask who Clements was that he should be thus commemorated. Clements was the man who in 1887 started the South Place Sunday Popular Concerts. If you ever went, as I now am glad I did for all that I hated turning out for work on a Sunday evening, to that strange chapel of the South Place Ethical Society by Finsbury Circus you will not need any reminder of what a notable experience that was.

If you never went, nothing I can say will bring before you an adequate picture of the place, now demolished, of the people sitting listening with such earnestness and of the fine music we heard. It was, and fortunately still is in its new quarters at Conway Hall, one of those half-hidden, almost unknown musical centres that are of great importance.

EVERYBODY knows about the great orchestras and concert societies. But it is the work of such organisations as South Place that show more truly what is happening in the musical life of this country.

It is not only Clements the man, but the faith that was in him when he began these concerts that was commemorated.

LET me also draw attention to another London organisation where there are concerts given periodically in the theatre of the Northern Polytechnic, Holloway Road, by the Modern Symphony Orchestra conducted by Arthur Dennington.

By force of circumstances a critic is fairly well tied every night to the centre of London. But there have been times when I have been able to get to N.7 and have along that way been stimulated. This admirable orchestra, made up I don't quite know how, but I gather it is mostly a question of local amateur talent and that the rest (the smaller section) are students from institutions like the Royal Schools. Recently the orchestra gave a concert with a programme containing Brahms' Fourth Symphony, Beethoven's Violin Concerto, Ravel's "La Valse."

FINALLY, while dealing with some of London's less well-known musical features there are the concerts given each Saturday afternoon by the League of Arts in the Lecture Theatre of the Victoria and Albert Museum. Recently the League's own choir, conducted by Dr. Geoffrey Shaw, gave a programme of unison songs and folk songs.

SCOTT

Moviedom Gossip

Ruffles for Ginger

IRENE CASTLE is so ing personally the Astaire film, "The Case of Irene and her husband, the most famous dancer of their day.

Miss Castle's sentimental interest in every tiny detail is creating trouble at the studio.

She has the privilege of approving or rejecting every costume, and if so much as a ruffle is changed on one of Ginger's dresses she decrees, "My clothes cannot be changed."

All the dances and dresses will be absolutely faithful to the period.

Rathbone Generous

A VILLAIN on the screen Basil Rathbone is re-as a hero by the children in his neighbourhood. Holidaying in New York with his wife, Rathbone heard Hollywood was sweltering under a spell of exceptionally hot weather and wrote home to his servants instructing them to let the youngsters in their neighbourhood use the Rathbone swimming pool during his absence.

Trains Prizefighters

MICKEY ROONEY has become manager of a young welterweight boxer, and has him in training out at the Rooney ranch. In his spare time, Mickey is busy arranging fights for his protegee.

Beautifying Arthur Treacher

THAT monument of dignity, Arthur Treacher, has been severely tried. For his role in "The Little Princess," with Shirley Temple, he was asked to have his hair permanently waved.

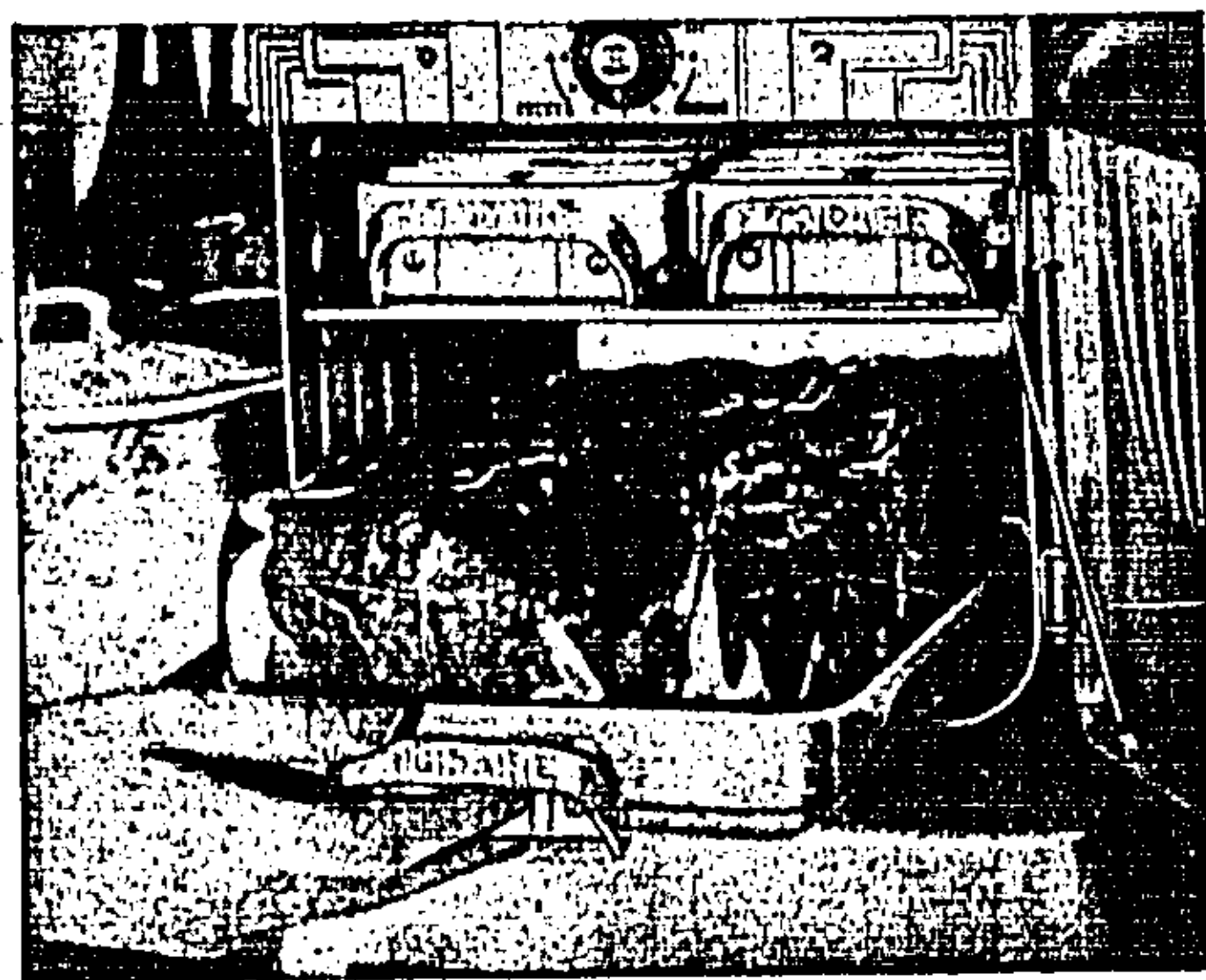
On first hearing the suggestion he groaned, then asked how permanent the wave would be. When told it would be only for six weeks he yielded happily, into the hands of the hairdresser.

Even more math of

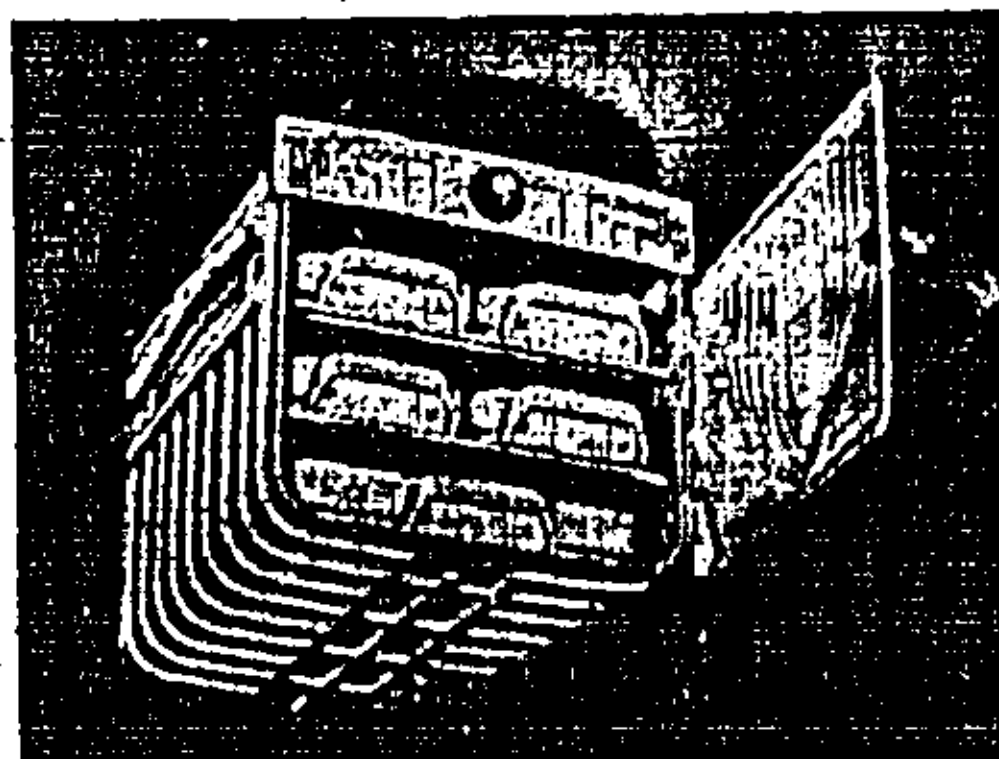
Vogue in Paris

HOLLYWOOD to be getting more wholesome! At a recent party on his 80-acre ranch, hundreds of guests arrived in slacks, farm overalls, and "clothes." They saved themselves by singing

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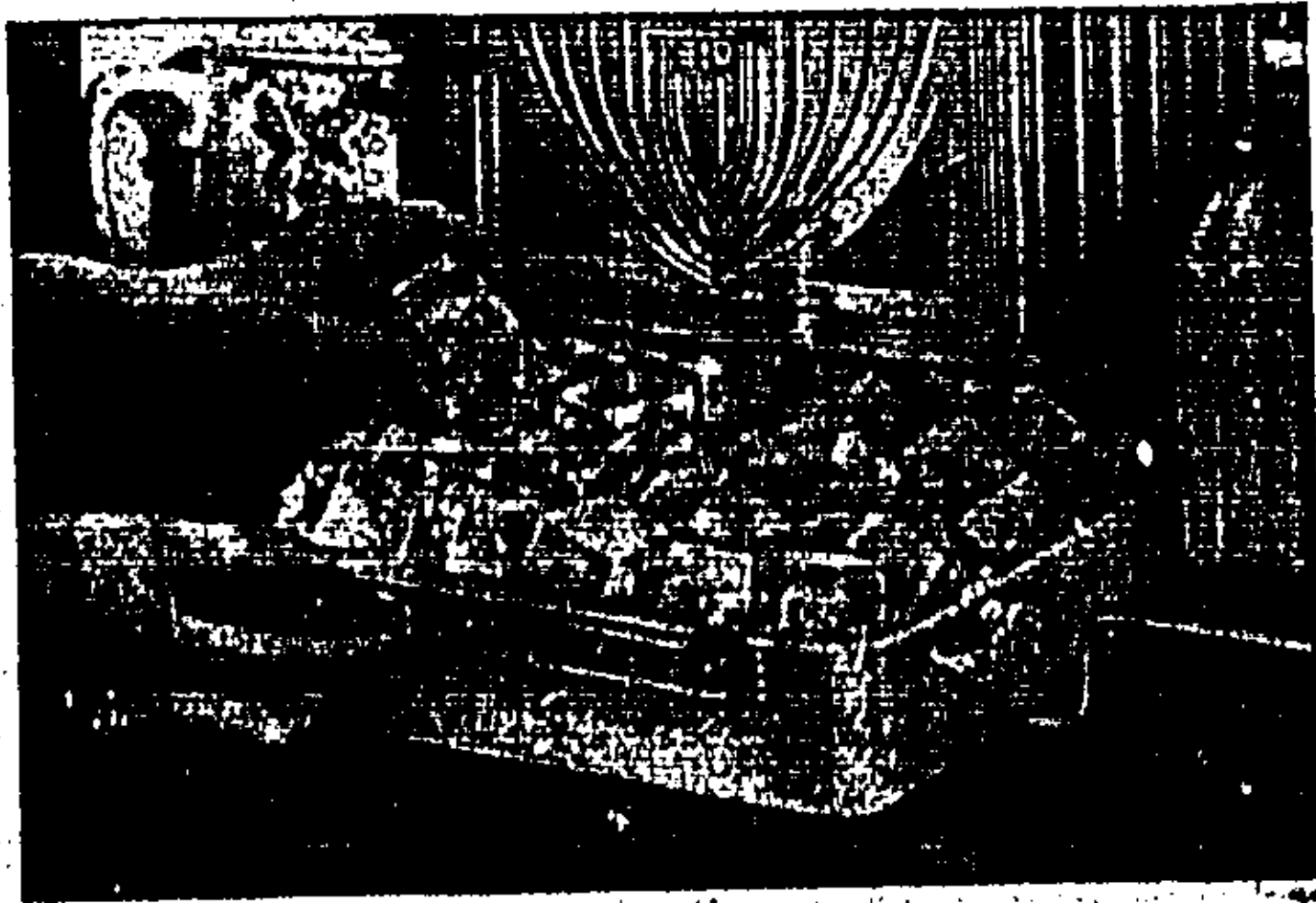
The New Quickkubo Tray will find favour with everyone. It increases the capacity of the freezer for freezing desserts, salads and ice cubes; also for storage of bulky frozen articles and highly perishable foods.



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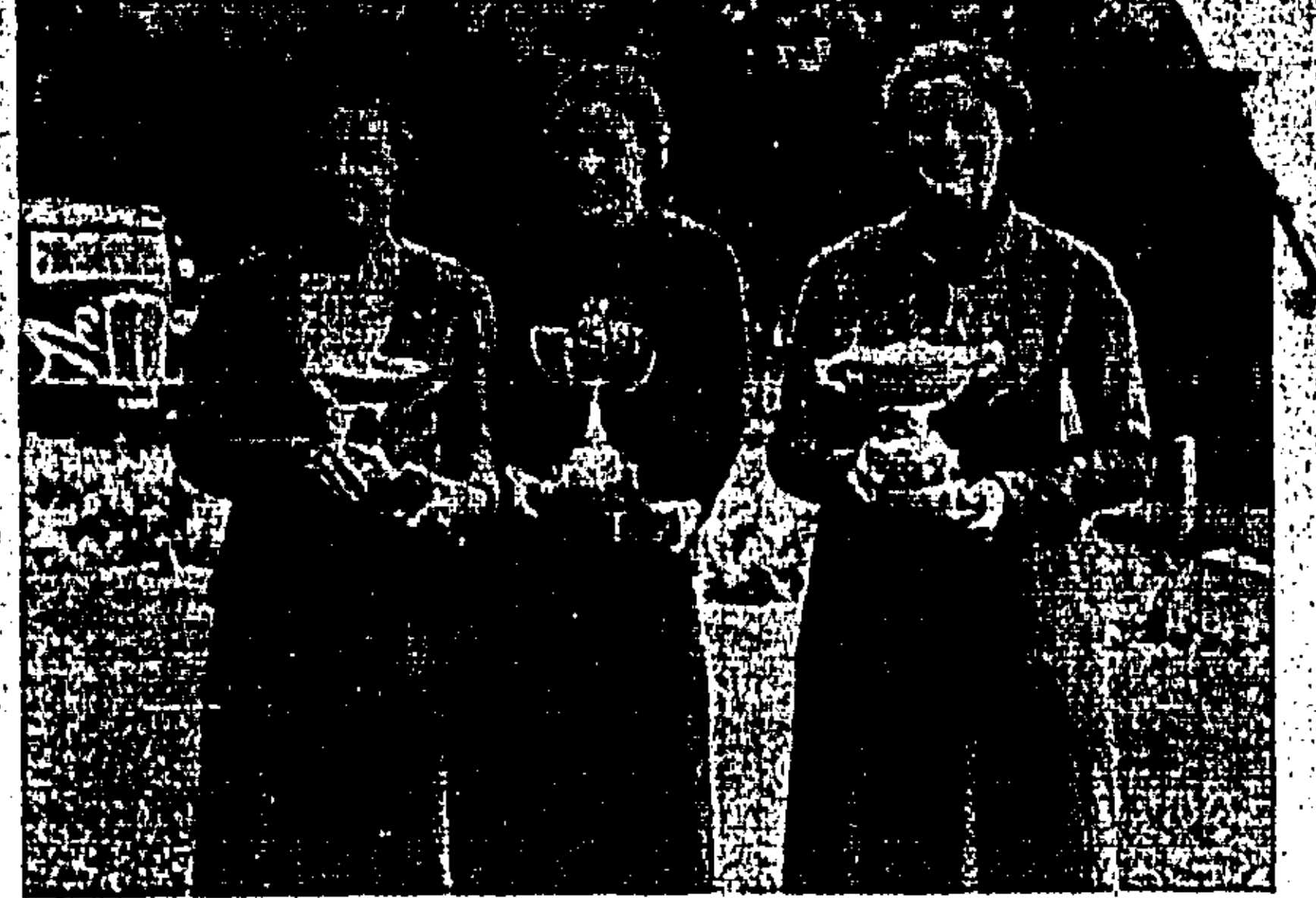


Storage space for the extra ice cubes needed for parties is an added use for the Meat Tender. It holds all the cubes that can be frozen at one time, thus doubling the ice cube capacity of the refrigerator.

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REFUGEE CHILDREN. This group photograph was taken of the many Chinese children who are attending the Emergency Refugee Council School at Kam Tin Camp.



PRIZE-WINNERS. These ladies received cups from Lady MacGregor at the annual Spring Meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club at Fanling.—Ming Yuen.



NEW MARKET. The work of constructing a modernised Central Market is nearly complete and the building will be opened shortly.—Ming Yuen.

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VIGNETTES OF LIFE

By J. NORMAN LYND



MUTTERING WHILE ASLEEP IS ALL RIGHT AS LONG AS ITS SHOP TALK—LIKE "SUE ME, G'WAN SUE ME." BUT IF FEMININE NAMES ARE MENTIONED—EVEN IF ITS ONLY THE NAME OF A RACEHORSE ... OH BOY!



THERE ARE A LOT OF MEN MUTTERING THESE DAYS ABOUT WOMEN'S HATS ... CHIEFLY BLASPHEMY.



"TRYIN' TO TEACH ME HOW TO CUT HAIR!!"

J. NORMAN LYND



OH, WELL, SOMETIMES A WAITER HAS CAUSE TO MUTTER, AND WISH HE HAD SPILLED SOME SOUP OVER THEM

In an important statement issued to the Press this morning, Wang Ching-wei, the discredited ex-Kuomintang leader, reveals for the first time the fact that the German Ambassador to China last December acted as intermediary between China and Japan. Wang Ching-wei, in his statement, reveals

Japan's Peace Moves

THE FOLLOWING is a translation, in part, of a statement issued by Wang Ching-wei, the former Kuomintang leader, this morning.

The statement was issued through Wang's agents in Hongkong. It reads:

"At the 54th Conference of the Standing Committee of the Supreme National Defence Council at 9 a.m. on December 6, 1937 in the Central Bank of China, Hankow; added by H. H. Kung, Ho Ying-chin, Chu Cheng, Yu Jou-jen, Wang Ching-wei, vice-president who presided over the meeting in absence of General Chiang Kai-shek, the president, Chang Chun, the chief secretary, Hsu Mo, administrative Vice-Minister of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and others.

"Hsu Mo, the vice Foreign Minister, reported during the meeting:

"Dr. Oskar Trautmann called on H. H. Kung on November 28 and on Wang Chung-hui, the Foreign Minister, the next day upon instructions from his Home Government to offer good office and intervention on the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

Dr. Trautmann said, according to Hsu's report, that the German Ambassador to Japan understood from repeated conferences with the Japanese War Minister and Foreign Minister that the Japanese Government would terminate the war with China on the following terms:

Japan's Terms

- 1.—Inner Mongolian Autonomy;
- 2.—The Demilitarised zone in North China to be extended, but right of administration in the area to remain under the Chinese Central Government. No anti-Japanese official should be appointed as head of the area. Non-intervention by the Central Government with the Japanese Government in the area.
- 3.—Demilitarised zone in Shanghai to be extended, but administrative right to remain the same;
- 4.—China to carry out the understanding reached at the Chang Chun-Kawaga conference in Nanking last year in connection with the question of anti-Japanese movement;
- 5.—Japan hopes that some agreements would be reached with China in connection with the question of an anti-Comintern pact;
- 6.—Improvement of tariff rates with Japan;
- 7.—The Chinese Government to respect foreign interests in China.

On November 30 Dr. Trautmann left Hankow for Nanking, accompanied by Hsu Mo, to call on Generalissimo Chiang.

Call On Chiang

On December 2 a military conference, attended by Chiang, Pei Chung-hsi, Kuo Chu-long and others, was held in Nanking, during which Hsu Mo reported the German good office and intervention and the Japanese terms for peace.

"At the end of the meeting Chiang expressed (1) German good office and intervention should not be refused, the terms were not "treaty for a lost country" (2) Administrative rights in North China should be preserved.

No Faith In Japan

When Herr Trautmann interviewed Chiang in the afternoon the Ambassador added that if China refused the Japanese terms war would go on and future terms would be different.

Chiang expressed then: (1) he had no faith in the Japanese, who would tear treaties into pieces at their will, but thanked Germany for its good offices and hoped the Japanese terms might be the scope of further negotiation. (2) asked Herr Trautmann to report to the German Government that:

(a) Germany should be the mediator to that end;

(b) Chinese sovereignty in North China should be preserved. Generalissimo Chiang then asked Germany to inform Japan that a prerequisite to peace was an end to hostilities, for it was impossible to negotiate amidst bitter fighting. (End of Hsu Mo's report during the Hankow conference).

Wang asked:

(1) If the Japanese terms brought by Herr Trautmann could be basis of negotiation, why not Kono's declaration at the end of last year?

(2) German intervention took place before the fall of Nanking and Kono's declaration was after the fall of Nanking. Why negotiation could be allowed first and not later?

Mr. C. G. Solis, M.A. (Oxon.) has been appointed to be Director of Education as from to-day.



LOOKING DOWN from the deck of the R.M.S. Canton into the V-shaped hole cut by the bows of the Marchal Joffre in the collision near Hongkong on Thursday. Rails have been twisted into grotesque shape, as can be seen from the photograph. The boat deck, just above, was also damaged. The Marchal Joffre's port anchor broke off and remained imbedded in the side of the Canton.—Copyright.

FOR THE first time since the Totalitarians rose to power, Democracies have taken the initiative at a week-end, the "danger" part of the week in European diplomacy, for it is always on Saturdays that Hitler launches his moves. Here is the latest news on developments in Europe.

BRITAIN SHIFTS HER FRONTIERS

(By WEBB MILLER)

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

LONDON, Mar. 31. GREAT BRITAIN has shifted her military frontier from the Rhine to the Vistula with Mr. Chamberlain's pledge of military aid to Poland.

It represents the most revolutionary alteration in British foreign policy ever undertaken in peacetime. It constitutes the abandonment of the old British foreign policy of opposing commitments in Eastern Europe.

Mr. Chamberlain has wholeheartedly adopted France's post-war policy of encirclement of Germany, a policy upon which Britain has long frowned as being conducive to war.

It remains to be seen just how complete the British commitment will be practically effective during the present consultations. It is designed to prevent a sudden and immediate Nazi thrust. Furthermore Mr. Chamberlain did not absolutely bar the return of the Polish Corridor or Danzig to the Reich.

In all events, however, Mr. Chamberlain's sudden shift from appeasement to resistance, and then military pledges, has amazed British political circles.—United Press.

SOCIAL AFTERNOON

Bridge and Mahjong Drive Held

A successful bridge and mahjong drive was held at the Soldiers' Home, Hennessy Road, yesterday afternoon under the auspices of the Methodist Ladies' Society. About 60 ladies attended and enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon, refreshments being served in the interval.

The first prize for bridge was won by Mrs. Oswald and for mahjong by Mrs. Petherick, the second prizes going to Mrs. Swann and Mrs. Cocking respectively. Booby prizes were also awarded to the lowest scorers.

The prizes were presented by Mrs. Sandbach, who thanked all present for their support on this occasion and hoped for their attendance at future similar functions.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

dreadnought, hostelry, dromedary, detest, hostler, hosann, English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 14.

Japan Sends Warships

Diversion Seen At Vladivostok

MANCHESTER, Mar. 31. Sir Norman Angel, in a speech at the Luncheon Club to-day, said he had been privately informed that Japan has sent gunboats off the coast of Vladivostok.

"The end of that might well be a first class Russo-Japanese crisis and compel Russia to divert a great part of her forces to the Far East. If that happens, Hitler will march into Poland," Sir Norman declared.—United Press.

Reactions To Declaration

Continued From Page 1

millions of Hungarians in their expansion.—United Press.

"Reuter" says that the British and French pledge to Poland in high circles in Washington, where it is regarded as the first, and unexpected, firm fruit of President Roosevelt's policy, and of the stiffening policies of the European democracies.

The pledge is considered to remove any shadow of equivocation from British policy towards Germany, and well-informed circles believe it will go far towards silencing criticism and distrust of British policy which has been shown by an important section of the American press and public opinion ever since the policy of appeasement began.

The pledge undoubtedly will make British stock swing upwards at this very important juncture, when Senators such as Borah have been attacking President Roosevelt's policy, arguing that Britain did not seriously intend to resist German aggression, but actually to condone it.

Henceforth, this argument can hardly carry much weight. HONGKONG

The European situation is brighter believes the Ta Kung Pao, in commenting on Mr. Chamberlain's declaration of British guarantee to Polish independence. It is made clear now if Germany invades Poland a European war will be unavoidable, the paper states. It is because of this that peace in Europe can be preserved, at least for a short time.

"Hitler has to consider seriously now," the paper concludes, "any move he is to make on Poland."

By EDWARD W. BEATTIE

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

BERLIN, Mar. 31.

THE GERMAN Government in closely studying Mr. Chamberlain's announcement, which is considered so important that officials will make no comment pending examination of all its implications.

It is believed that Herr Hitler's speech, scheduled for to-morrow, will give the first official indication of German reaction.

The strength of the British assurances to Poland, even though they are of a transitory nature, have surprised political circles.

They express the belief that the German reaction will be either extreme indignation or anger with a reiteration through the Press telling Britain to mind her own business, or else an attitude of Germany feeling herself to be not concerned since she has not threatened Poland's integrity.

It is generally felt that the first reaction will be the most likely.—United Press.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.

Converted into Limited Liability Concern

The advertised announcement of a change in the firm of Shewan Tomes and Company, which has been converted into a private limited liability company, recalls that this is one of the oldest firms in the Colony, with a history dating from the earliest days of Hongkong. It is interesting to note that the designation Shewan, Tomes and Co. goes back exactly 44 years, to 1895, when the late Mr. Robert Shewan was joined in partnership by Mr. C. A. Tomes. The firm had originally been known as Russell and Co., but was reorganised and taken over by Mr. Shewan in 1891 as Shewan and Co. Mr. Shewan had come out to Hongkong to join the firm in 1881.

Russell and Co. had a long and very interesting connection with the China trade, having commenced business in Canton as far back as 1818, though the firm was not established under that name until 1824. It was originally an entirely American concern, but later when a branch was opened in Hongkong, took British into its employment. The local branch was opened in the Fifties, in Queen's Road, and did a considerable shipping and insurance business. There were other branches in various China coast ports. As stated above, the name of Russell and Co. came to an end with the firm's reorganisation in 1891.

Bitter Fighting In China

WAR RAGING ON WIDE FRONTS

CHUNGKING, Apr. 1. TERRIFIC FIGHTING is proceeding on widely scattered fronts in Kiangsi, Hunan, Honan, Shansi, Anhwei and Kwangtung, according to field dispatches reaching here.

The Japanese thrust on Koon on the Nanchang-Changsha highway, about 40 miles southwest of Nanchang, has been intensified. Asphyxiating gas is alleged to have been used against the obstinate Chinese defenders.

The chief point of contention is at Kuo-yu, a small town northeast of Koon along the highway. Both sides suffered considerable casualties during fighting yesterday.

The Japanese driving down the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway are meeting with strong Chinese resistance at Shangyang and Hwangkishih, south-east of Nanchang.

A Japanese column moving south from Wuning, 70 miles northwest of Nanchang, was ambushed by the Chinese at Chungpao, about two miles south of the town.

Chinese Offensive

In north Hunan the Chinese are taking the offensive. Bitter fighting has been going on at Yanglowze, Matang and Tsohn, points northeast and south of Yoyang. One Chinese unit is reported to be several miles from Yoyang city.

Further tightening their enveloping on Sinyang, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway in south Honan, Chinese forces have regained more vantage points around the city, including Changtialwan, Sankwanmlao, Poomalling, Hsienhsansu and Nanichino. Severe losses have been inflicted on the Japanese.

Kwangtung Fighting

In Kwangtung, the bulk of the Japanese invading Kufow and Shaping near Kongmoon has fallen back to Kowkong, 23 miles southwest of Canton after being attacked by the Chinese. Remnant groups clinging to blockhouses and several heights are being surrounded, and mopped up.

Most of the important points around Shaping have returned to Chinese control. Japanese casualties at Shaping are estimated at more than 100 while about thirty Chinese soldiers were killed and wounded.

In anticipation of a Japanese threat to Chungshan and Shuataik a movement has been started in these two districts to rally the 300,000 people to defence. A conference of county and village chiefs was held when defensive measures were discussed. All able-bodied men will be armed and enlisted in the militia units to fight against the invaders.

In Anhwei, Chinese forces counter-attacking the Japanese on the Tungling river, are steadily pressing towards Shun-an, northeast of Tungling. Severe fighting is raging in the vicinity.

SHANSI DRIVE

In south Shansi the Japanese forces driving from Hahsien towards Pinglu and Moalsintu, important Yellow River crossings in south Shansi, met with a serious setback on Thursday.

The Japanese, in their drive, had reached Tachentsun, a village south of Changtichen. When the arrival of heavy reinforcements, the Chinese commenced a counter-attack. The Japanese were supported by five bombers which continually subjected the attack Chinese to severe bombing and machine-gunning. They also had a liberal use of gas shells.

However, the Chinese steadily pressed forward and finally drove a wedge into the wavering enemy line, forcing the Japanese to retreat. More than 600 dead were left on the field by the fleeing invaders.

To the west of Pinglu, the Chinese have withdrawn from Juheng but are continuing resistance in the outskirts.

In east Shansi, the Chinese have regained a strategic town northwest of Yuhai recently.

Following up with the success, they are driving towards Shanshechen, north Yuhai. They have captured three Japanese alive and seized more than 100 rifles and some 300 horses.—Central News.

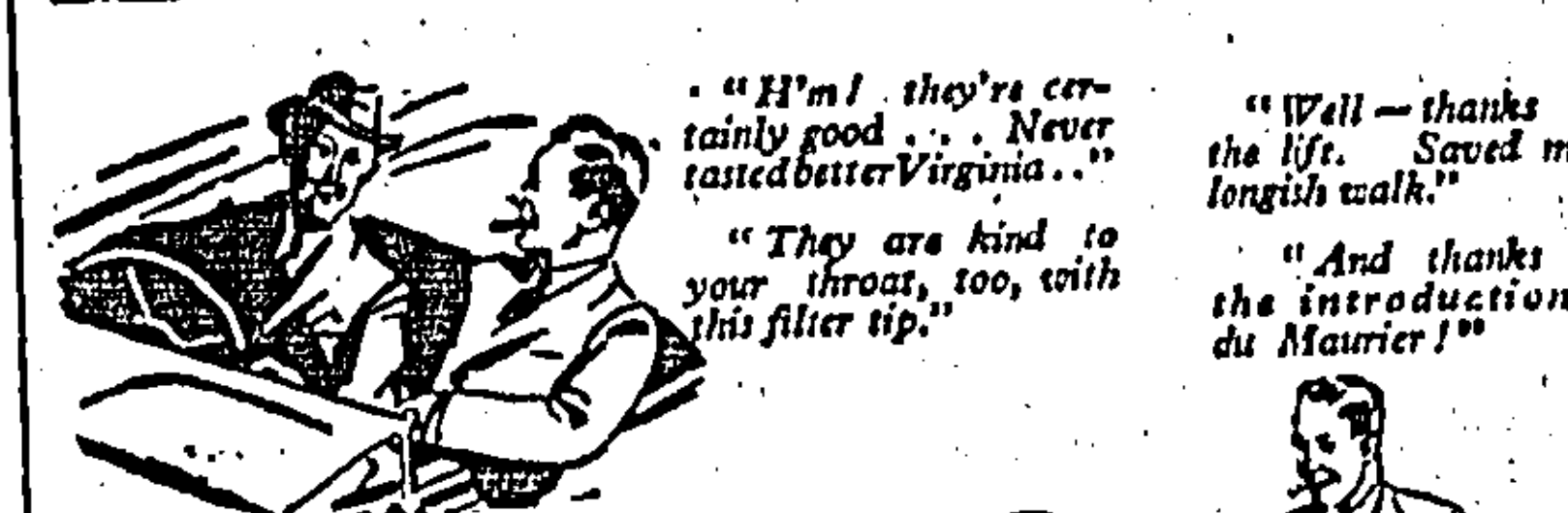
During the absence on leave of Mr. H. A. Keller, Vice-Consul for Switzerland at Hongkong, Mr. E. Hausmann will be in charge of the Swiss Consular Agency.

"I must say this is a grand cigarette"

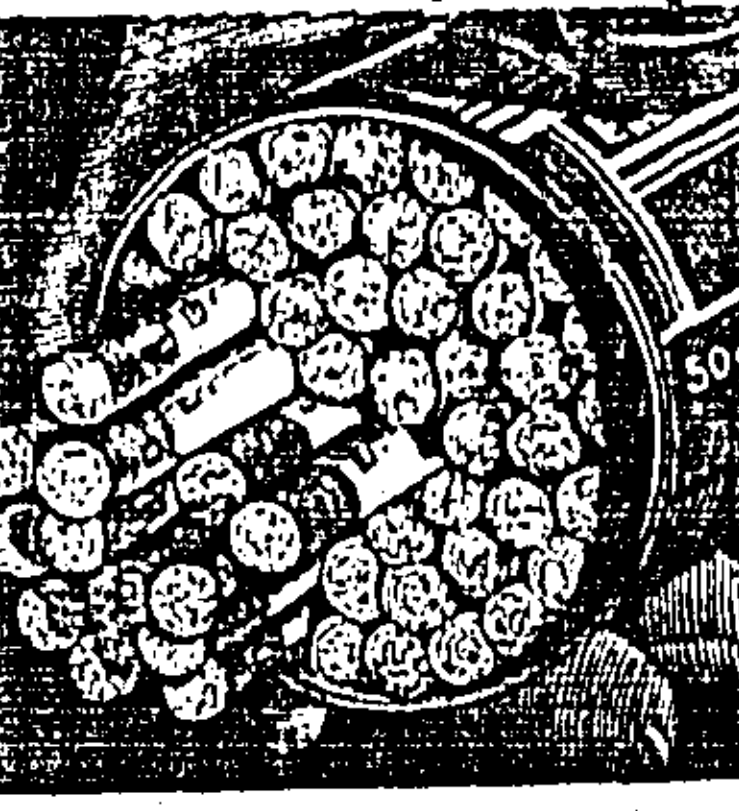


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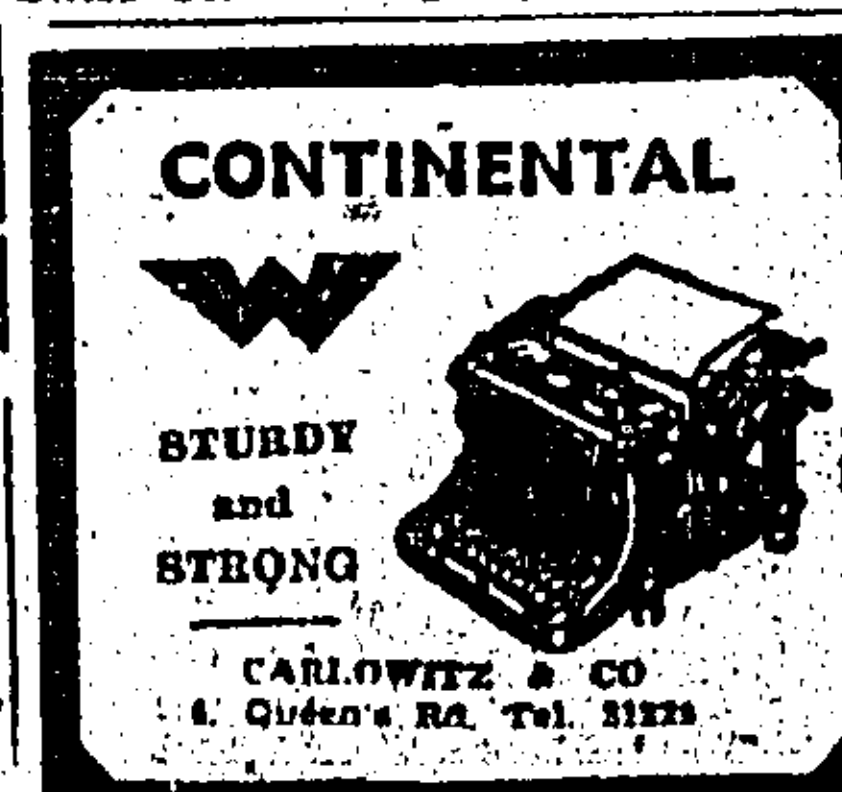
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SPRING WEDDINGS



MOST pressing of all messages for advice these days came from a friend who is going to be married this Spring.

"I've only so-much to spend on my wedding gown and my going-away outfit," she wrote, "and yet I don't want to have them made by any old dress-maker."

"Do you think a good dressmaker could do them for the price?"

★ ★ ★

AFTER a good deal of advice, she ordered not only the lovely bridal gown and the going-away outfit you see in the sketches, but has chosen the other model for her three bridesmaids. Her frock is in pure white, and the bridesmaids' frocks will be in white with daffodil yellow.

★ ★ ★

DON'T you think this makes a lovely spring colour scheme?

The wedding gown is in softest lace (clever copy of a real Brussels lace), and it is cut on very slender lines, with a full sweeping train.

Note the perfect fit of the sleeves, which are wide at the shoulders and taper towards the wrist. Don't you like the really pretty and becoming neckline, which is finished with a dainty bunch of orange blossom?



SHORT CUTS

As a pleasant change on the breakfast menu, try serving brown sugar on cereals.

Powdered borax may be used as a roach repellent. Sprinkle around drain pipes, behind baseboards, in dark corners and other likely haunts.

When preparing ham for baking, use an ice pick for making holes in which to insert cloves, and the cloves will stay in better.



This frock is cited as a good spring style. It is a butterfly print in navy or wine cotton with white patterns with rows of rickrack down the front with a slide-fastener between. The bodice blouses above an inset belt.

The "Don't Mind" Brigade

IN shop, office, or sports field, on committees, at tea parties, or just travelling, you can meet the woman who belongs to the "don't mind" brigade, and who apparently holds a season ticket for airing the words, "I really don't mind."

Ask her anything. Ask her whether she would like the wireless switched on or off and at once she answers, "I don't mind."

Take her out to a meal, and ask her what is it to be. Without so much as a glance at the menu, she will murmur, "I don't mind. Whatever you like."

Telephone her that a run in the car is indicated as it is such a grand day, and where would she like to picnic? Should she suggest Timbuktu, or a spot by the gas-works, it would be something to work on, but all she replies is, "Wherever you like. I don't mind."

So let us beware. And if ever we find ourselves about to utter the trite phrase, "I don't mind," let us stop short, make up our mind and be decisive.

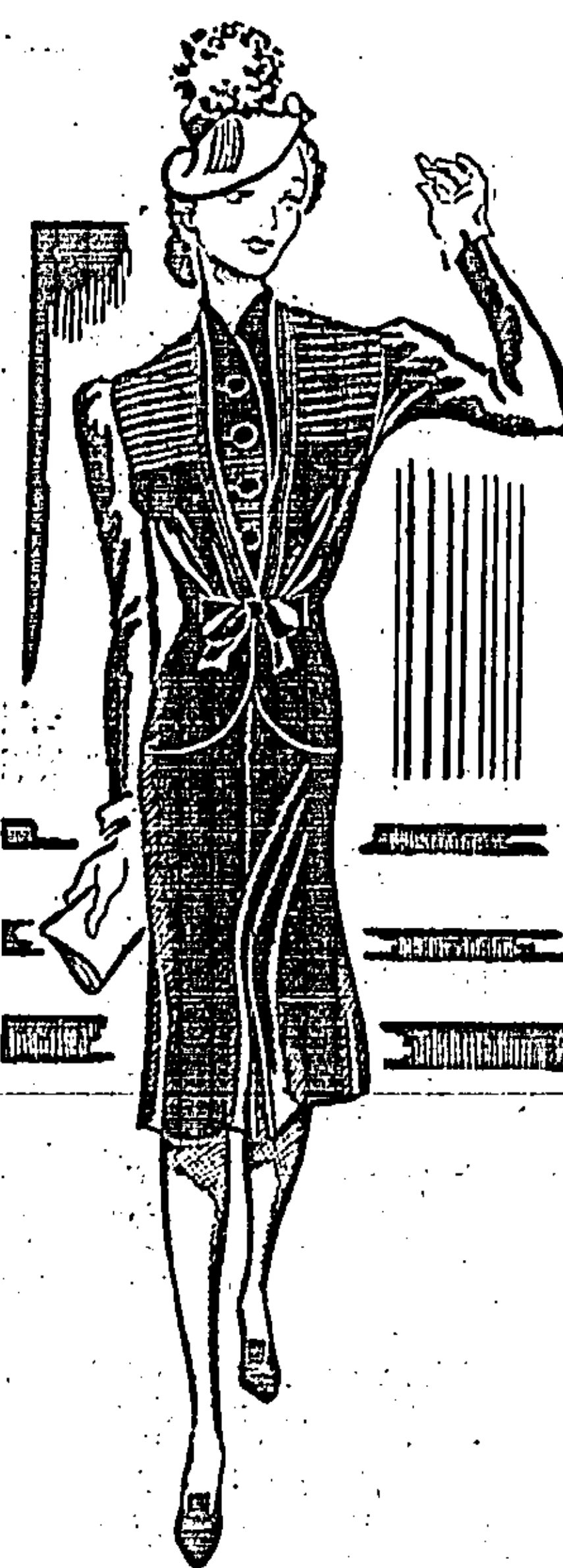
Psychologist

Coloured Cooking
SPRING flowers add a seasonable note to the well-set table at this time of year, but some of the dishes can also be colourful.

Gold-brown fillets of haddock surrounded with slices of tomato, fried or grilled, and sprigs of watercress, is a sight for sore eyes and feeble appetites. Even the invalid's steamed fillets look more cheerful if chopped watercress or parsley is sprinkled over them, or slices of tomato (if allowed) are arranged round the edge.

An attractive way of serving an egg is to divide the white from the yolk, whisk it stiffly and pile it up on a greased saucer. Make a hole in the middle and gently slide in the yolk, taking care not to break it. Bake the egg in the oven until the

The bridesmaid's frock is carried out in moire pout and cut on picturesque princess lines, with the new frilled petticoat hem in a contrasting colour, the contrast in this case being the daffodil yellow.



The bows which trim the frock are also in yellow.

Note the attractive draping of the bodice and the full, short sleeves.

MY bride-to-be friend is fair with lovely blue eyes, so she has chosen her going-away outfit in azure blue. It is a two-piece in wool georgette. The front of the frock bodice is decorated with fine pin tucking, and the unlined hip-length coat fits trimly to the figure and ties in front in a dainty bow. Note the clever vertical tucking at the coat edges and the horizontal tucking which forms a yoke.

Top left: Bridal gown in lace cut on graceful slimming lines.

Top right: Bridesmaid gown in moire pout.

Left: A going-away outfit of frock and jacket.

Pearls Elude Oyster Man

Stratford, Conn.
Capt. William H. Rowland has handled millions of oysters in his 53 years as skipper of an oyster dredge, but never once has he found a pearl. "I've come to the belief," he said, "that there's not much truth in the story that you find pearls in oysters — or, maybe I'm unlucky."



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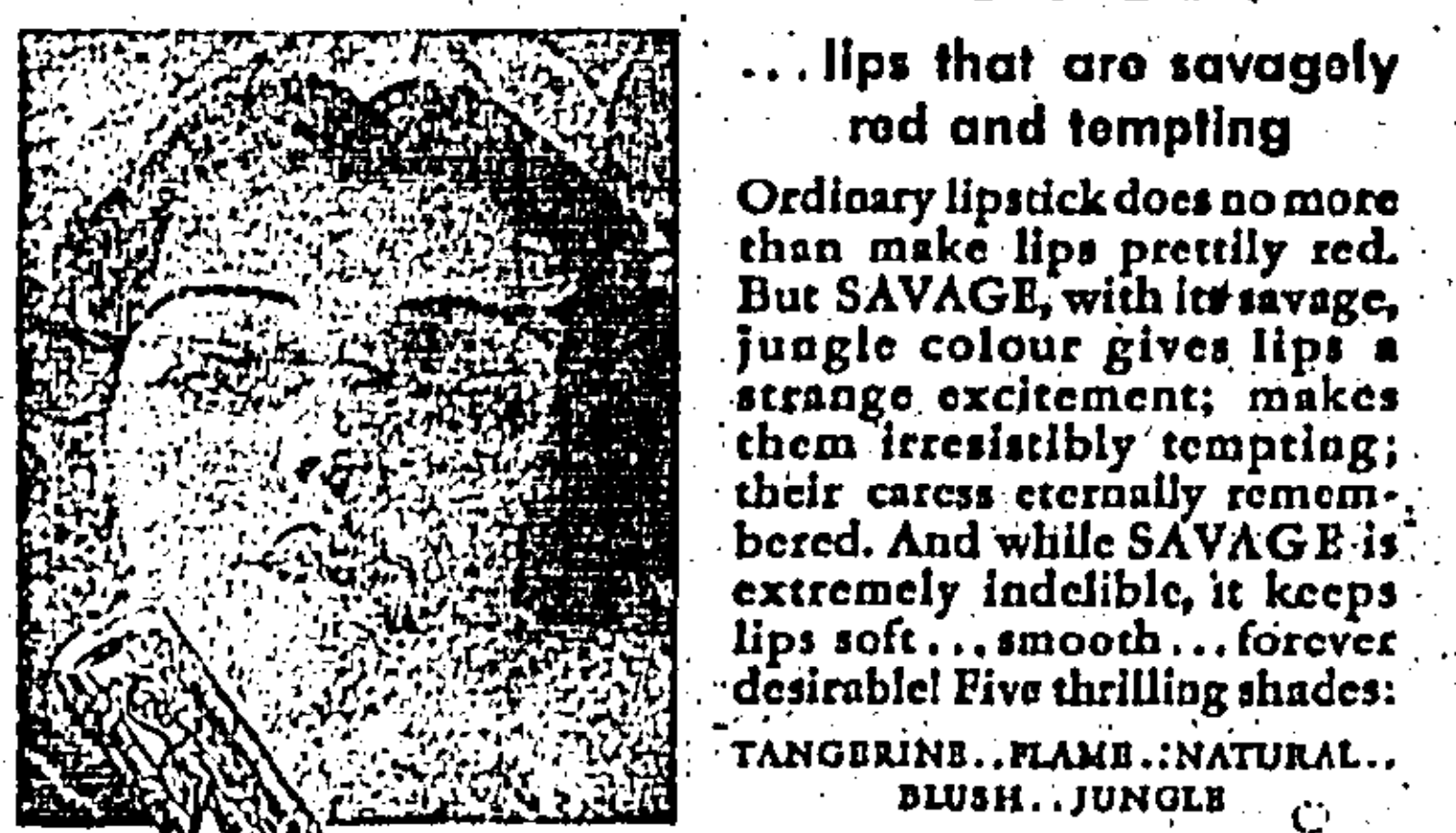


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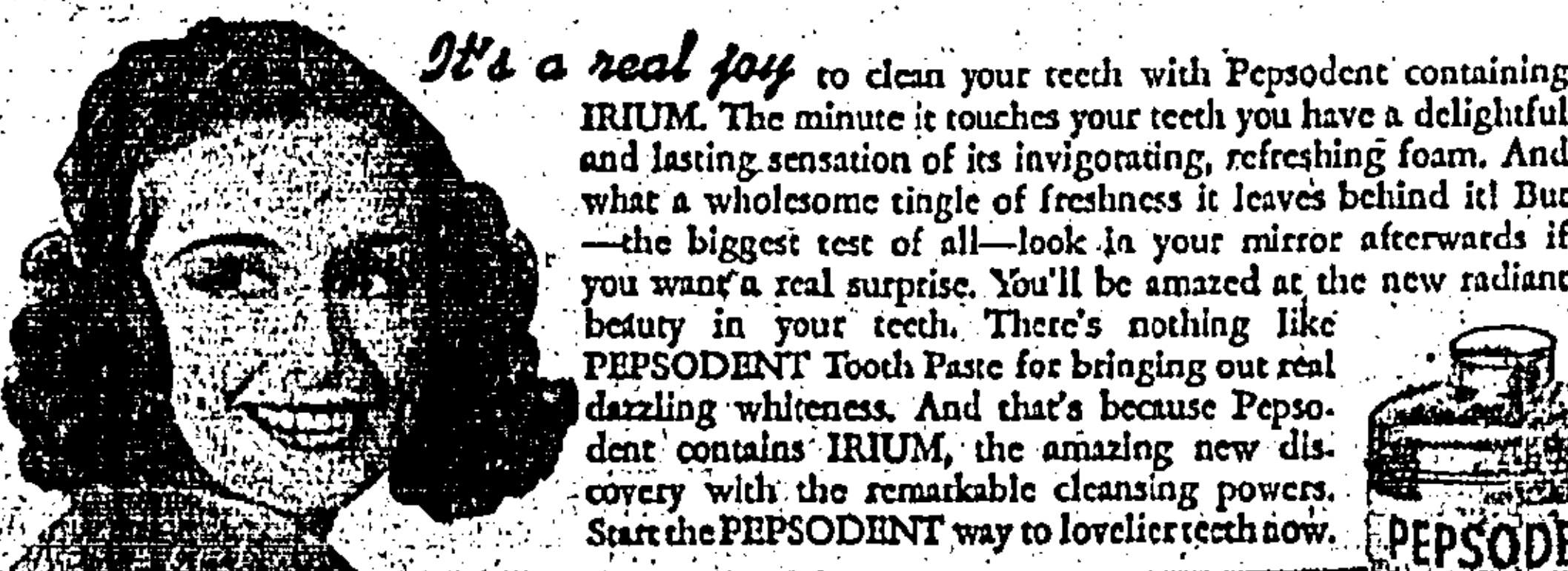
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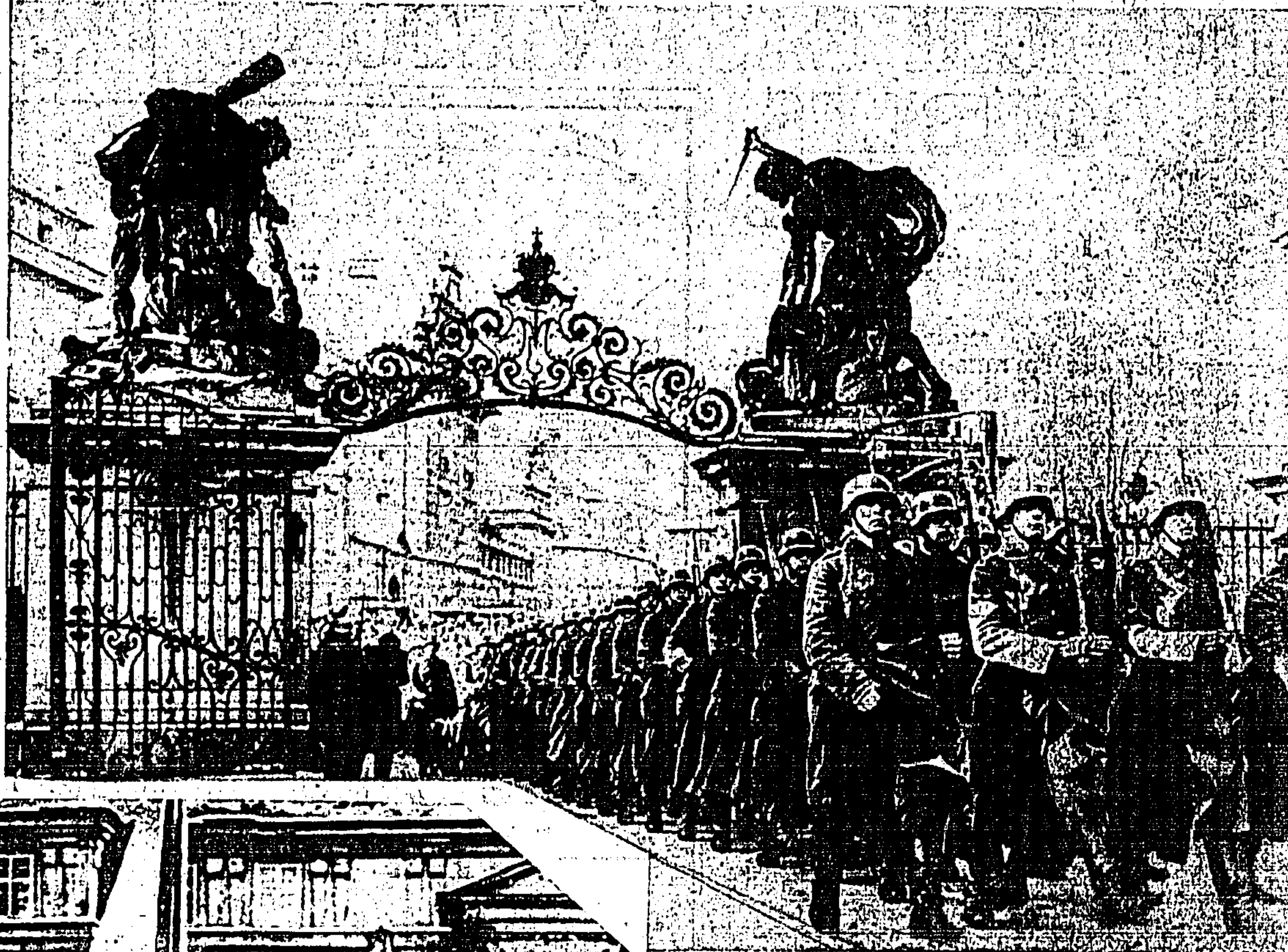
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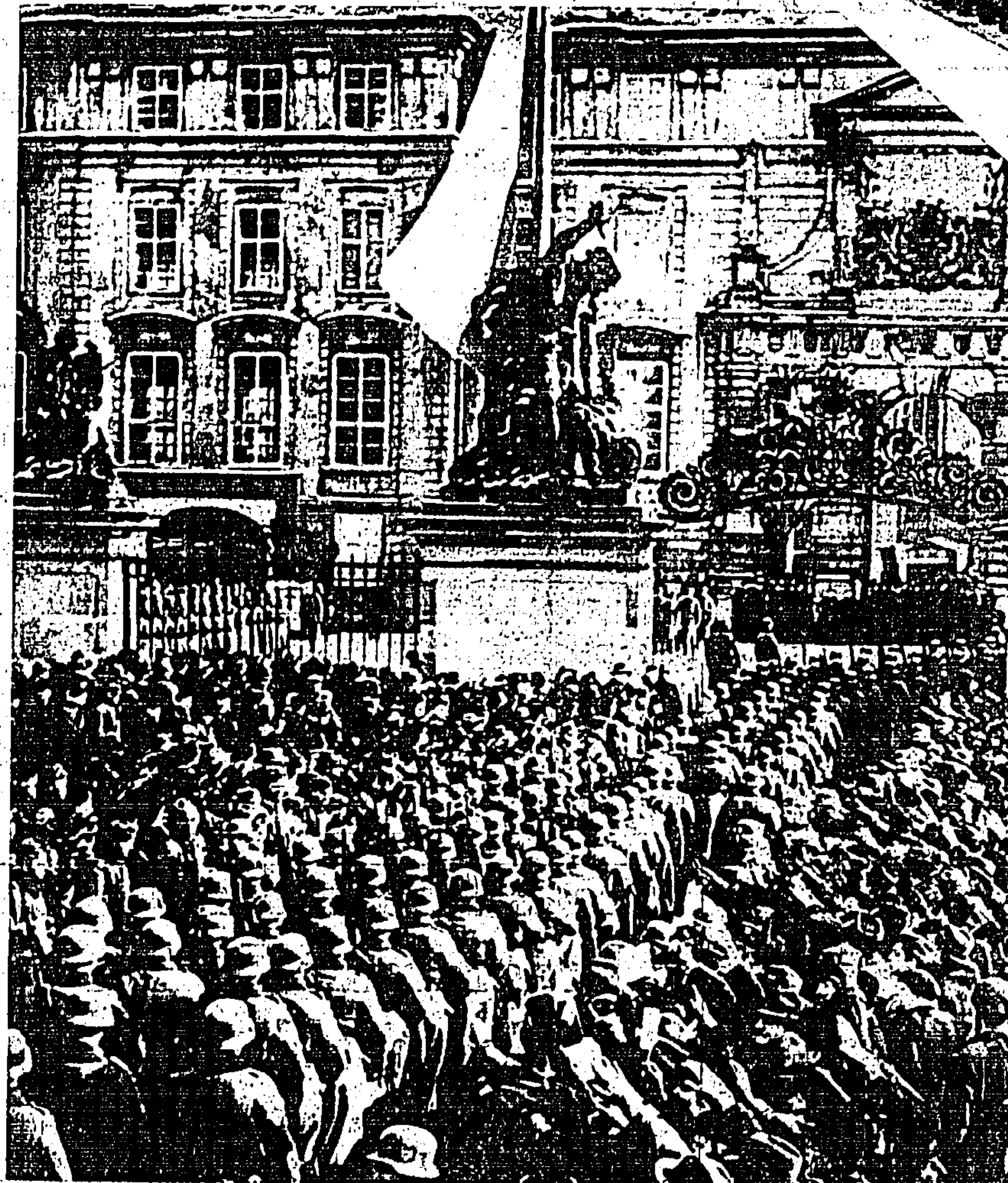
HERR HITLER standing in his car saluting the citizens on his arrival in Vienna from Prague, after the annexation of Moravia and Bohemia.—Associated Press Photo, by Air, Copyright.



GERMAN TROOPS marching into the grounds of historic Hradcín Castle, Prague, which became Herr Hitler's headquarters when he went to the former Czecho-Slovakian capital. From his temporary headquarters in this Castle, the old Palace of the Bohemian kings, the German dictator issued proclamations extending the German Empire another 200 miles eastwards by the expedient of placing Bohemia and Moravia under German law and agreeing, by an exchange of telegrams, with Dr. Tiso, the Slovak Premier, to take Slovakia under his protection.—Copyright, Wide World Photo by Air.



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TENNIS CHAMPIONS SCORE ANOTHER EASY VICTORY IN DOUBLES

Never Seriously Extended By Kong And Szeto Bick

(By "Abe")

Because they are so much better than the rest, the matches in which the Tsui brothers take part in the early rounds of the Colony tennis championships are nearly always devoid of interest. Yesterday, for instance, they met Paul Kong and Szeto Bick, who cannot be regarded as a weak pair; yet they won with comparative ease by 6-4, 6-4.

The manner in which the match was played gave one the impression that had they wished, the holders could have won more easily than they actually did. Never in the course of the match was there any doubt whatsoever who the eventual winners would be, and it was because the issue was so certain that the brothers thought they could afford to try out their shots. At times the Tsui played with almost reckless abandon, and in doing so delighted the gallery with some very fine shots; but they also contributed their quota of mistakes, which, I felt sure, could have been cut down had there been any danger at all of defeat.

While Paul Kong played extremely well and easily held his own in the rallies, his partner was disappointing in the extreme. Whether the stand court atmosphere affected him it is difficult to say; the fact remains, however, that he showed up very poorly on the whole, missing many "alters" at the net.

There were some scintillating rallies and many fine volleys. The results of these duels would have been more even had the splendid work of Kong received better support from Szeto who, on several occasions, failed to "kill" when presented with the opportunity.

CHARLIE AU ENTERS BADMINTON FINAL

(By "The Bird")

Charlie Au, who this year has stepped into Patrick Wong's shoes as the leading Chinese Y.M.C.A. badminton player, smashed, drove and finessed his way into the final of the Colony senior singles badminton championship last night beating K. L. Yong, expert University player, by the ridiculously easy scores of 15-2, 15-2.

Undoubtedly the match was one-sided, but this was chiefly due to Au's scintillating play which was good enough to dispose of anybody in the Colony.

If P. K. Hui is not at his peak in the final, a new champion will be greeted this season.

Au revealed that not only did he possess all the strokes, but that he has a badminton brain of the first calibre. His manoeuvres were delightfully conceived and worked out against Yong, who was frantically defending for three parts of the match.

Au's drop shots from any position on the court were made with the same delicate touch as a billiards player rattling up a big break from losing hazard. In short, there was power and fierce speed in his smashes, few of which Yong was able to pick up, and never have I seen the clearing shot so perfectly exploited as by Au in this game. The beauty of the stroke was that he played it until the last split

second which several times meant that Yong was caught moving in the wrong direction. To complete Au's repertoire of point-winning shots was a lovely back-hand flip which steered the "bird" across court or down the lines at will.

FINISHED TECHNIQUE

On this display, it would not be unfair to the Colony's other leading exponents to say that Au has the most finished technique of our badminton players.

Yong frankly admitted after the match that he was well beaten by a better player, yet the Varsity representative made a gallant showing, and quite definitely was luckless. Several times lovely-looking drop shots just fell on top of the net and dropped the wrong side, and he was constantly clearing the side-lines by only an inch or so.

Yong's biggest shortcoming was lack of accuracy. Could he have allowed himself a slightly wider margin for error he would have scored many more points.

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

Open Singles

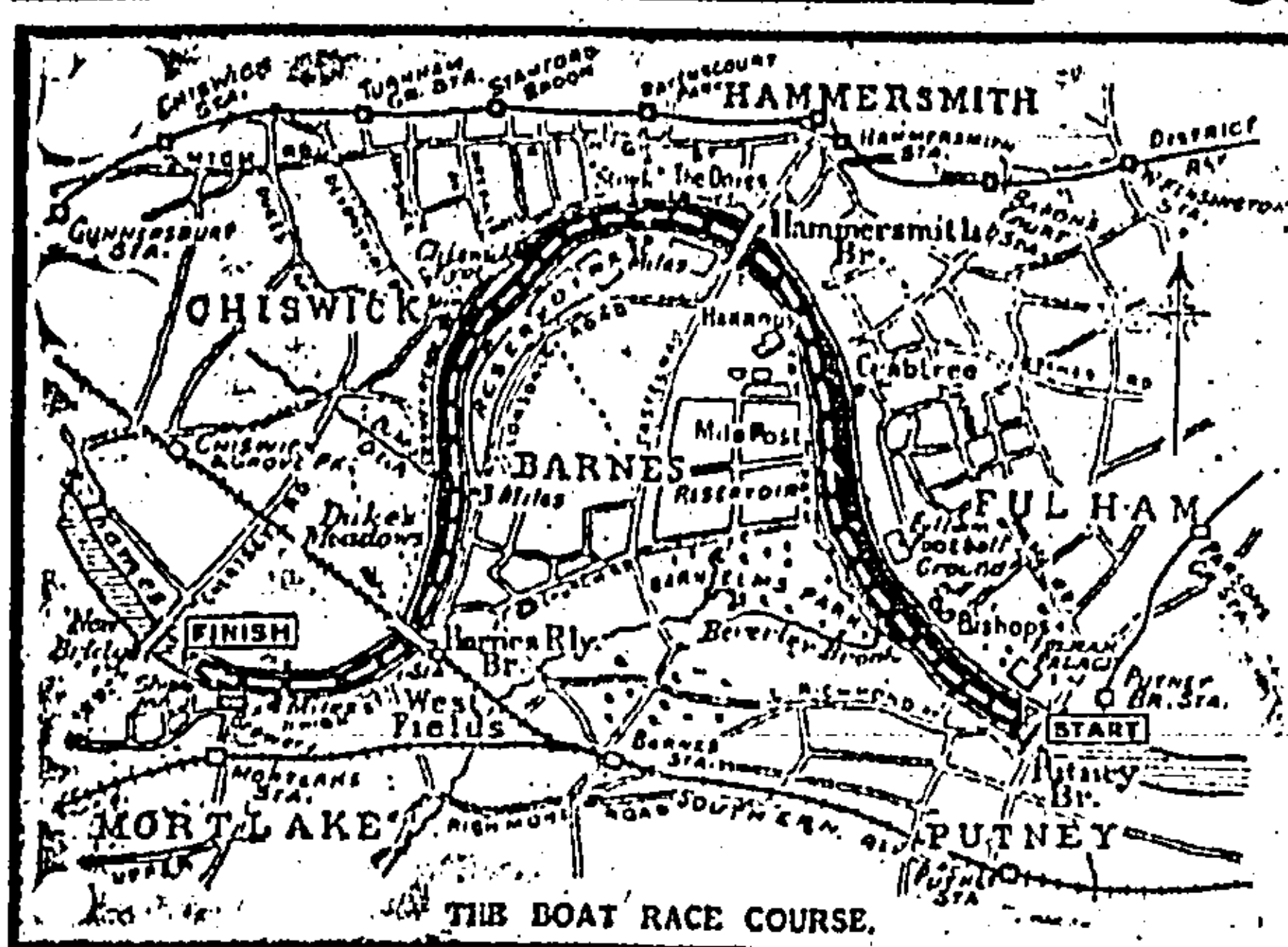
H. D. Rumjahn beat J. W. Leonard 6-2, 6-2.

Open Doubles

Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yun-pui beat Paul Kong and Szeto Bick 6-4, 6-4.

In each set the brothers took a lead of 5-3, conceded the ninth and went out in the tenth.

It is difficult to see any pair in the tournament capable of disposing of them. The only other match played, H. D. Rumjahn defeated J. W. Leonard in straight sets with the loss of only two games in each set. He now qualifies to meet Tsui Wai-pui, the title-holder, in the quarter-finals.



For the convenience of those who intend to listen-in to the description of the Boat Race, which is being rowed to-day from Putney to Mortlake, this map of the course is published. The race will be broadcast by Daventry and relayed by ZBW at 6.45 p.m. to-day.

Here And There With "Abe"

Tennis Players Should Study Tourney Rules

"PLAY shall be continuous from the first service till the match be concluded; provided that after the third set, or when women take part, the second set, either player is entitled to a rest, which shall not exceed 10 minutes, or in countries situated between Latitude 15 degrees South, 45 minutes, and provided further that when necessitated by circumstances not within the control of the players, the Umpire may suspend play for such a period as he may consider necessary. These provisions shall be strictly construed, and play shall never be suspended, delayed or interfered with for the purpose of enabling a player to recover his strength or his wind or to receive instruction or advice. The Umpire shall be the sole judge of such suspension, delay or interference, and after giving due warning he may disqualify the offender."

Players participating in the Colony Tennis Championships would do well to study this rule and remember it. On Thursday in the singles tie between J. M. A. Razack and Luk Chun-cheung I was amazed to see the latter stop with the scores at 4-4 in the third set and take a rub-down! He had a rest of about five minutes, but this availed him nothing, and he was beaten. Justice was served in this case, but it would have been particularly unfortunate for Razack and Luk, because of his rest, recovered sufficiently to win the match. At the time when Luk took his rest, both he and Razack were "all in." Razack, perhaps, was a trifle the fitter of the two and for this reason he deserved to win, for after all fitness is one of the requirements of the game. The rule governing play, as set out above, is unmistakable and players should be warned against doing this sort of thing.

The Boat Race

THE annual Boat Race between Oxford and Cambridge from Putney to Mortlake will be rowed to-day. Elsewhere on this page is published a map of the course to enable listeners-in to follow the description of the race on the radio. Despite the unprecedented action of the President in changing the stroke one week before the race, Oxford has been established slight favourite. The two crews are as follows:

Oxford	Cambridge
C. Addison	Bow
A. Turner	G. Huse
A. Burroughs	J. L. Garton
J. Savill	A. Slemick
H. Parker	R. Steward
J. Turnbull	R. Burnell
M. Buxton	E. N. Waldron
C. Stanford	M. Forbes
H. Smith	J. R. Bingham
	Cox
	H. Massey

The following were the results of the race in the last 10 years:

Year	Winner	Score	Time
1929	Cambridge	19	24 1/2
1930	Cambridge	19	24 1/2
1931	Cambridge	19	24 1/2
1932	Cambridge	19	24 1/2
1933	Cambridge	20	27 1/2
1934	Cambridge	19	24 1/2
1935	Cambridge	19	24 1/2
1936	Cambridge	21	24 1/2
1937	Oxford	22	24 1/2
1938	Oxford	22	24 1/2

Tennis Ratings

RATINGS of Canada's tennis stars, based on 1938 performances, have been announced by officials of the Canadian Lawn Tennis Association. Top positions went to two Montreal players. Laird Watt, who was given No. 1 ranking in the men's division, and Mrs. Rene Bolt, who was given No. 1 rating in the women's section.

Other players, in order of their rating, follow:

Men—Robert Murray of Montreal; Ross Wilson of Toronto; Doug Cameron of Vancouver; Don McDiarmid of Ottawa; Gordon Robin-

son of Niagara Falls, Ont.; Roger Durlivage of Montreal; Roland Longtin of Montreal; Louis Duff of Montreal; R. Siwaway of Vancouver. Women—Eleanor Young of North Vancouver; Caroline Denson of North Vancouver; Susie Milne of Vancouver; Mrs. A. R. Porter of Montreal; Mrs. R. Porter of Montreal; Mrs. Frank Fisher of Montreal; Mrs. Ralph Tees of Montreal; Claire Walsh of Toronto; Mrs. Harold Jones of Halifax.

Three other women players were unranked due to lack of data on their performances last year, officials said. They were Simone Bernadet of Montreal, Phyllis McCrummen of Vancouver and Jean Milne of Vancouver.

Golf Decision

A DECISION that is of consequence to every user of golf courses was reached by the Court of Appeal in Belfast recently. It will be realised that a player on the Cliftonville links near Belfast struck another in the eye with his tee shot.

Straits Footballers Open Programme In The Colony To-day

(By "Abe")

Judging from what I have seen of them at practice and from reports of their prowess, the Straits Chinese football players, who open their programme in Hongkong against the South China A.A. at Caroline Hill at 4 p.m. to-day, should do well in the Colony. In the team are some splendid players who have won honours in Malaya in State matches, and if local conditions prove to their liking, the Colony's best will find it a difficult task to hold them.

Experts in the short-passing game, they are an extremely fast lot of men. In the practices in Hongkong they have found the Caroline Hill ground a little too hard, but their speed has by no means been impaired.

What impressed local judges of the game is their splendid ball control, their short passing and their heading—the last a phase of the game which they seem to have developed to a fine art in contrast to local men.

But one great weakness of theirs would appear to be shooting. Whilst watching them I, rightly or wrongly, came to the conclusion that their shooting prowess does not come up to the standard of their general play, which is very high indeed. But practice naturally is entirely different from actual play, and what I took to be weakness in the finer points of shooting may not be so this afternoon.

13 PLAYERS CHOSEN

The team, announced by the visitors for this afternoon's tussle contains 13 names. The goal-keeper, backs and half-backs have been definitely selected, but seven forwards have been named—the final selection to be made to-day.

In defence, the visitors have nothing to fear. Every department, I have been assured, is strong, particularly the intermediate line, of Koo Yu-leng, Choo Song-quee, and Koh Hor-koong, who recently represented Singapore in important matches.

ORIGIN OF "BOGEY" IN GOLF

London, March 6. How many golfers know the age and origin of "bogie"? Not many of the present generation. Most people are under the impression that bogey has grown up from time immemorial with the traditions of the game, but the Colonel is in fact still in the prime of life, aged a mere forty-eight years, says Henry Longhurst.

The point becomes of interest because only a few days ago Mr. Rotherham, inventor of what he at first called a "ground score" died at the age of seventy-six. He was a watchmaker at Coventry, and in his younger days was a first-class Rugby footballer.

The idea of the ground score came to him in 1891, and very soon after that he called a "ground score" died at the age of seventy-six. He was a watchmaker at Coventry, and in his younger days was a first-class Rugby footballer.

"BOGEY" DEFINED

It is only within the last ten years that "bogie" has been defined. For all that, every golfer has known all his life just what was meant by the word. It meant the score that an average scratch player would accomplish in reasonable conditions, allowing two putts per green. What is a scratch player? That is a question rather resembling the time-honoured "Which came first—the chicken or the egg?" For a scratch player, of course, is a man who goes round in bogey.

Of recent years, however, bogey has been defined with mathematical precision by the national unions with the aid of measuring wheels, slide rules, logarithm tables (no doubt), "length adjustments" and "additional course values." The effect on the game has doubtless been beneficial in many ways, even if the results have been comparatively superficial, but in one respect I can never forgive the well-meaning gentlemen who set themselves the task of bringing the Colonel up to date. I can never forgive them for trying—though happily without success—to change his name to the "standard scratch score."

Judgment in a lower court had been given against the club though not against the striker. In layman's language it was held that anyone might hook his tee-shot and that this was part of the day-to-day risks voluntarily incurred in golf, but the course was laid out in a dangerous manner. Damages of £1,500 were awarded against the club.

RECREIO WILL HAVE A DIFFICULT TASK TO-DAY AGAINST NAVY

Suggestions For Time Of Drawing Stumps In League

(By "R. ABBITT")

To-day, if the weather is decent, and at the moment of writing it looks as if it might be, the great game between the Navy and the Recreio will be played off on the Recreio ground. Seeing that Medway and most of the submarine Flotilla have come back, and that Birmingham is still with us, the Navy should be able to put a fairly good side into the field. Recreio, will of course be at full strength, or at least I believe so, unless one of their players should be incapacitated at the softball game.

There has been no heavy rain lately so far as I know, though plenty of moisture, and the wicket should not be too bad, though I imagine it will take a spin. According to the latest printed note I can find as to the official times of play, I see that stumps should be drawn at 6.15 p.m. Curiously enough, according to these lists, 6.15 becomes the time for drawing in February as well as in March and April. It seems a bit queer but I think the answer is that while this time is reasonable for March and April, it is sheer nonsense for February. I do most sincerely hope that the League Committee at the beginning of next season—or rather just before it—will discuss this matter afresh.

THE LEAGUE COMMITTEE

While I am on this subject, I should like to appeal to the League Committee to give their attention to one or two points. The question of the time of drawing to which I have already referred, is a very vital one. It is also a very difficult one because the light on the Navy, Recreio, and K.C.C. grounds is much better, or perhaps I should say lasts much longer, than the light on the grounds in the island. All the same, I think a definite time all round should be fixed. The definite times for drawing at present are as follows:

October	6.05 p.m.
November	6.00 p.m.
December	6.45 p.m.
January	6.00 p.m.
February	6.15 p.m.
March & April	6.15 p.m.

I think possibly, that 6.05 p.m. for October is a misprint for 6.15, but this doesn't really affect what I want to say. It is my considered opinion, and during the last few seasons I have probably watched more matches than anyone on the League Committee, and so I am speaking as a spectator (they of course speak as players) that the present times are absurd. I think if you put it to them individually, they will admit that in the endeavour to secure a little extra time for play, things have been taken too far. I should prefer myself to substitute the following table:

October	6.00 p.m.
November	5.45 p.m.
December	6.30 p.m.
January	5.45 p.m.
February	6.00 p.m.
March & April	6.15 p.m.

I know that it would cut off about a quarter of an hour in most cases, but that quarter of an hour's cricket is not only dangerous but also most unfair. A more forward policy in batmanship would easily make up for the quarter of an hour, and if people are going to muck about for fifteen runs in an hour or more, then fifteen minutes isn't going to do much good.

There is one other point on which a ruling is required. Everyone admits that if two sides make exactly

the same total and they are out, then the match is a tie, and each side scores 1½ points for a win. But nobody seems certain whether if two sides make exactly the same score while one side is all out and the other side have a wicket or wickets to fall, it is a tie or a draw. It is a vital point and to my view, one capable of logical settlement. If you call it a draw because one side has an unfinished innings, then you are penalising that side half a point, because they have not got all out. Which is absurd! It doesn't make any difference this season, though a glance at the table will show that it very easily might have done. It is much better to have a definite decision given before the season starts, than to have to call upon the Committee for an ad hoc decision when trouble has arisen.

OTHER GAMES

The Cricket Club are playing off their main match against Colenso-gower. If the team turns out as published in the papers they should have a pretty good chance of winning, though they are without Longfield and Haynes. There is one other outstanding match in the First Division, and that has been arranged on Easter Saturday. Evidently the humorist, who arranged it thought it was the 1st April. Actually of course, it is the 8th, and whether it gets played bang in the middle of the holidays or not, I shouldn't like to wager.

SECOND DIVISION

The three Clubs who are interested in the Shield in the Second Division, are the Police, (15 points), Recreio, (13 points), and K.C.C. (13 points). However, the Police have played one more match than either of their nearest rivals, and the Shield cannot be decided until they have played the Kowloon Cricket Club, which at the present moment is down for decision on the 8th April. Recreio, however, are probably best placed of all, as they meet the Civil Service to-day, and on the 8th the I.R.C. and they should certainly win the first, probably the second match. K.C.C. in all probability will beat the I.R.C. to-day, which will put them a point ahead of the Police, and if they do this and Recreio win, then the decision will rest between the K.C.C. and Recreio in a match which will have to be played off, though goodness knows when they will find time to do it.

Galento's Licence Is Renewed

New York, Mar. 31. The State Athletic Commission has renewed Tony Galento's licence thereby formally approving the fight between him and Joe Louis for the heavyweight title at the Yankee Stadium on June 26.—United Press.

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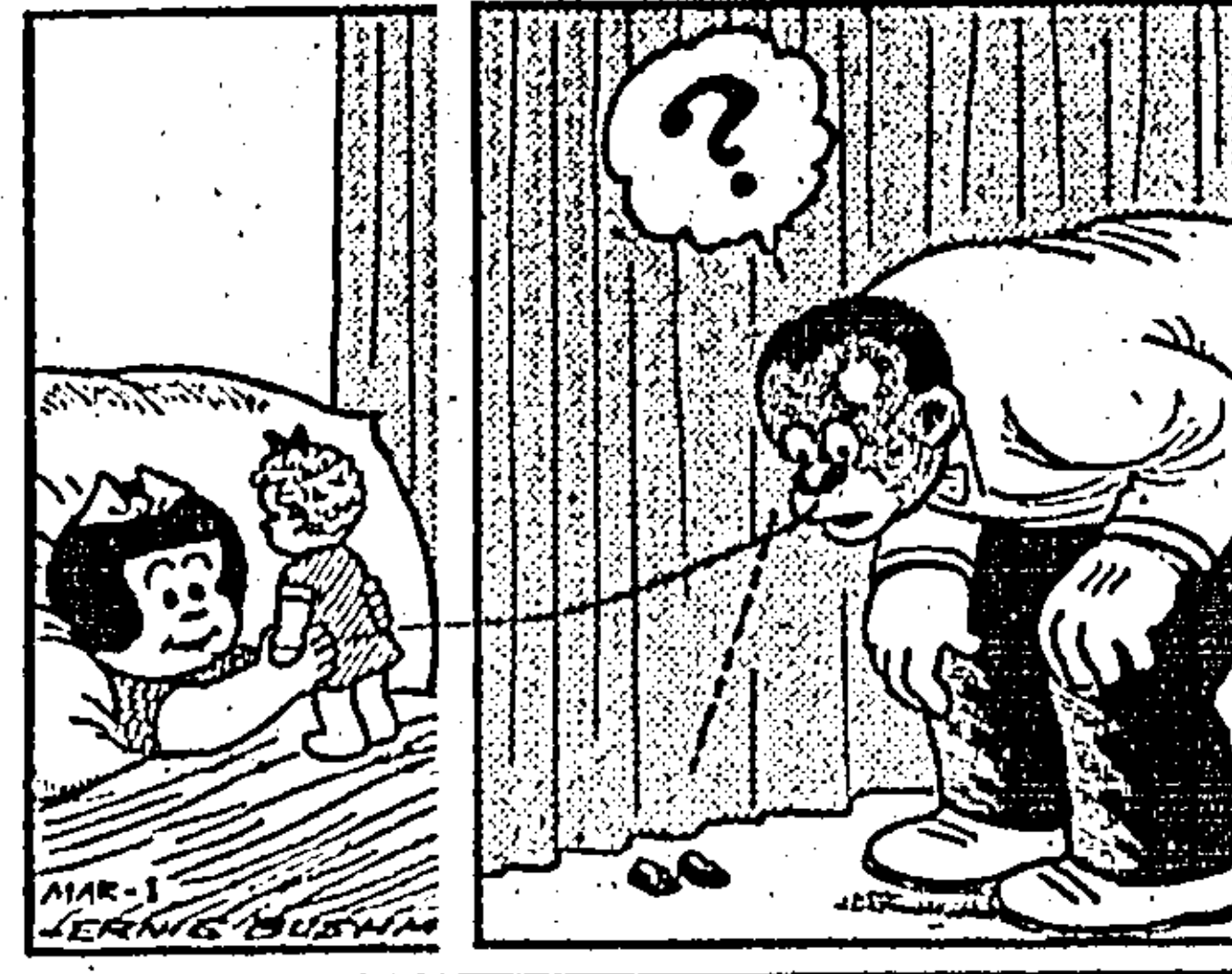
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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Eastern Beat Middlesex In Soccer Tie

And Thus Get Into Good Position To Finish As Runners-Up In League

Although Eastern won their match in the First Division of the Football League against Middlesex at Sookunpoo yesterday, their 3-1 victory considerably flattered them; as a matter of fact the score gives very little idea of the run of play.

Had the Middlesex forwards not been so dismally weak when they got within shooting distance of the Eastern goal, they would have left the field as winners. At least they would not have had the experience of having most of the play and yet being beaten. The weakness of the soldiers in shooting after monopolising the exchanges was the chief feature of the match.

On the other hand, Eastern are to be congratulated on the way in which they, getting far fewer opportunities, seized their scoring chances.

The game was played at a fast pace throughout and in a most sporting spirit. Eastern took the lead through Woo Chi-siang and immediately afterwards were two up when Lee Tack-lee scored.

In the second half, the Middlesex had their chances but wasted them. Then, thanks to a splendid run by Suw, the Middlesex reduced the deficit. The inside left dribbled past a whole row of defenders before sending the ball to the unmarked Tait for the latter to score.

Though they crowded on pressure, the Midds were unable to score the equalising goal and in the last few minutes Hui Ching-to made a fine run. Chin Ping-to met his centre and beat Jackson from close range.

Teams: Middlesex.—Jackson; Cooper, Cheehan; Freshwater, Bright, Wilkinson; Mogridge, Courtney, Tait, Saw and Hammond.

Eastern.—Lau Hin-hoi; B. Y. Zee, Tsang Chung-wan; Lau Shui-tan, Hui Ching-shing, Lo Wai-kuen; Chan Ping-to, Woo Chi-siang, Lee Tack-lee, Yu Yuck-shing and Hui Ching-to.

RACE BROADCAST

For the broadcast of the Boat Race the B.B.C. have arranged for a Cambridge commentator to be watching from an aeroplane, while an Oxford commentator will be in a launch behind the two boats.

"We so often find it impossible to judge the exact distance between the two boats that we have decided on the aeroplane as the only way out," a B.B.C. official said. Mr. S. J. de Lothbire will be in the aeroplane and Mr. John Snagge in the launch.

The Race will be broadcast by Daventry (and relayed by ZBW) at 6.45 p.m. to-day.

TEAM MANAGER WANTS NO MORE TIMELESS TESTS

London, Mar. 31.—The M. C. C. cricketers arrived at Southampton to-day at the conclusion of their South African tour. They were accorded a civic reception.

In an interview, the manager, P. L. Holmes, said that the team had a fine time in South Africa, and he hoped that the visits between the two countries would be more frequent.

Personally, he expressed the opinion that there should be no more timeless tests.—*Reuter Bulletin.*

LEAGUE CRICKET

Recreio and Kowloon C.C. Teams Selected

The following will represent the Club de Recreio in a first division league cricket match against the Royal Navy on the former's ground to-day commencing at 2 p.m.:

A. M. Rodrigues (Capt.), N. Beltrao, E. L. Gosano, J. M. Gosano, L. G. Gosano, H. L. Ozorio, A. P. Pereira, A. M. Prata, W. A. Reed, P. M. N. da Silva, Jr. and E. M. L. Soares.

Kowloon Eleven: The following will represent the Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI against the Indian R.C. in a league cricket match to-day at Sookunpoo:

W. Mulcahy (Capt.), H. Broken-shire, A. A. Dana, G. G. Davies, G. A. Goodban, S. A. Gray, B. D. Lay, W. L. McKenzie, T. A. Madar, R. A. J. Simpson and G. E. Taylor.

COMBINED SCHOOLS XI

The following will represent the Combined Schools XI in a friendly hockey game against the Y.M.C.A. second team on the U.S.R.C. ground this afternoon, commencing at 2.45 o'clock. A. Odell (C. B. S.), E. Mendonca (L. S. C.), K. Mohammed (Q. C.), W. Pryde (C. B. S.), F. Reis (L. S. C.), R. Chang (D. B. S.), R. Castro (L. S. C.), K. Singh (S. J. C.), G. Singh (Q. C.), A. P. Silva (L. S. A.), and P. Rull (L. S. C.).



Bright, the Middlesex centre-half, beats Hui King-shing to the ball in the course of the soccer match played yesterday in which Eastern defeated Middlesex by three goals to one, thus placing themselves in position to challenge for the runners-up position. — *Mei Cheung.*

BRAUN CUP

Fielding only eight players, the "Y" Ladies suffered a defeat of five goals at the hands of St. Andrew's, in a Braun Cup junior hockey match at King's Park yesterday. The goals were scored in the second half of the game.

From the bully-off the "Y" Ladies went all out to check the constant attack of the Saints, and though playing without a goalie, their backs did splendid work in keeping the Saints' forwards from shooting.

Shortly after the interval, the Saints managed to score through S. Roberts after a scramble in front of the goal. Then in quick succession the remainder of the goals were scored by Roberts, V. Jex, M. Churn and T. Jex.

FRIENDLY MATCH

Playing without a goalkeeper, the Hongkong Hockey Club went down to the Royal Navy "A" team in a friendly hockey game at King's Park yesterday by two goals to one. Morgan scored for the Club while Firth and Leggett replied for the Navy.

Draw For Taggart Cup Competition

The following is the draw for the Taggart Cup Competition of the Ladies' Section, the Royal Section, the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, which will be played at Happy Valley:

First round—Mrs. Smalley v. Mrs. W. O. Lambert; Mrs. Rose v. Mrs. Heiberg; Mrs. Woodward v. Mrs. Tuck; Mrs. P. C. Stewart v. Mrs. E. G. Stewart; Miss Glendinning v. Mrs. W. J. F. Mackenzie; Mrs. Leighton v. Miss Corrigan.

Byes—Mrs. C. B. Brown v. Mrs. E. W. Clark; Mrs. Valentine v. Mrs. Margaret; Mrs. Prophet v. Mrs. P. C. Scott; Mrs. Lissman v. Mrs. E. M. Dennis; Mrs. I. Goldman v. Mrs. G. D. Adams; Mrs. B. Overy v. Mrs. E. Boyer; Mrs. T. E. Rowell v. Mrs. R. Lindsay; Mrs. B. White v. Mrs. F. A. Mackintosh; Miss S. Sutton v. Mrs. A. Nico; Mrs. N. L. Smith v. Mrs. Collis; Mrs. D. Blair v. Mrs. Shrigley; Mrs. W. M. Skinner v. Mrs. Selby; Mrs. Sharp v. Mrs. W. S. Hillier.

Conditions of play are 18 holes match play, three-quarters difference of handicap. The first named player is responsible for fixing the match, and if the result is not entered by the closing date for the round, the second named player goes into the next round.

First round to be played on or before April 21; second round on or before May 10; third round on or before June 12; fourth round on or before June 30; semi-finals on or before July 11; final on or before July 21.

SPORT ADVTs

THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB

The April Race Meeting will be held at Arela Preta, Macao, on Sunday, 2nd April, 1939, commencing at 2.15 p.m.

The first bell will be rung at 1.45 p.m.

By order, S. W. CHENG, Secretary

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 9) dreadnought—drizzly—hosanna hostelry—dromedary—hostler (but "hostler now more prevalent")

TENNIS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK

The following is the programme arranged for the Colony Open Lawn Tennis Championship next week:

Monday, April 3

Open Singles.—Tsuai Wai-pui v. H. D. Rumlahn; Lal Kwong-cheun v. Ho Ka-lau; W. J. Howard v. J. M. Tomlinson.
Open Doubles.—S. A. Gray and G. C. Burnett v. A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios.
Club Championship.—W. Sander v. J. J. Ferguson.
Handicap Singles.—J. C. Pool v. A. T. Dow.

Handicap Doubles.—R. K. Valentine and L. M. S. Lloyd v. Major Nottingham and Capt. R. B. Lecky.
B. O'M. Deane and H. Van Leeuwen.

Tuesday, April 4

Open Singles.—Tsuai Yun-pui v. A. Crawford.
Club Championship.—H. J. Armstrong v. J. S. Theobald.

Handicap Singles.—B. O'M. Deane v. E. Laidlaw; T. J. Gould v. L. Goldmann; T. J. Price v. W. Wooding.
Handicap Doubles.—H. J. Scull and Cdr. H. T. Rust v. T. C. Monaghan and V. R. Gordon; H. D. Bidwell and A. T. Dow v. E. E. Story and J. J. Ferguson.

Wednesday, April 5

Open Singles.—S. W. Liang v. Lal Kwong Cheun; Ho Ka-lau.
Open Doubles.—Lim Thiam-tet and Stephen Wong v. S. A. Gray and G. C. Burnett or A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios.

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Thursday, April 6

Open Singles.—Chan Ka-moon v. Lee Wai-tong; S. A. Rumlahn v. J. Tomlinson or W. J. Howard.

Open Doubles.—Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau v. T. A. Pearce and W. A. H. Duff.

Handicap Singles.—B. O'M. Deane or E. Laidlaw v. H. D. Bidwell; J. C. Pool or A. T. Dow v. J. L. C. Pearce; E. E. Story or A. C. Beck v. L. M. S. Lloyd.

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Holy Communion After
Morning Service

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

Palm Sunday, April 2. Preacher,
Rev. J. E. Sandbach.
Order of Morning Service at 10.15—
Hymn No. 9; Prayer; Lord's Prayer;
Hymn No. 685; 1st Lesson; Hymn No.
102; 2nd Lesson; Prayer; Notices;
Hymn No. 103; Sermon; Hymn No.
102; Benediction.
Holy Communion will be celebrated
after the Morning Service.
Order of Evening Service at 7
p.m.—Hymn No. 478; Prayer; Lord's
Prayer; Hymn No. 432; Lesson;
Prayer; Notices; Hymn No. 197; Ser-
mon; Hymn No. 687; Benediction.

1. Following the Evening Service, a
Social Hour will be held at the
"S. & S. Home" at 8.15. All
Servicemen and civilians are
warmly welcomed.
2. The Y.M.C.A. Club will meet on
Monday and Tuesday at the
"S. & S. Home" at 7 p.m.
3. On Tuesday there will be a meet-
ing for Fellowship and Prayer at
the "S. & S. Home" at 8.30 p.m.
4. A Service will be conducted by
the Rev. J. E. Sandbach on Good
Friday morning at 10.15.
5. The Ladies' Aid will meet on
Tuesday afternoon at 3 p.m.
in the Assembly Hall of the
"S. & S. Home".

UNION CHURCH (Kennedy Road)

Sacrament of Baptism
To-morrow Morning

Morning Service, 10.30 a.m. Even-
ing Service 8 p.m.
Preacher at both services, Rev. K.
Mackenzie Dow.

The Sacrament of Baptism will be
celebrated at the close of Morning
Service.

A Jumble Sale will be held in the
Church Hall on Friday, April 14.
All contributions will be gratefully
received at the Church Hall any time
before that date.

The Helena May Christian Fellow-
ship meets in the Institute on Friday
morning at 10.30 a.m. A cordial
invitation to attend is extended to all
members of Union Church.

The soloist is Mr. Glanville.
(Lord God of Abraham, Handel.)

The Sacrament of the Lord's Sup-
per will be celebrated at the close of
Morning Service on Sunday, April 9.
(Easter Sunday). Will any who
desire at this time to become mem-
bers of the Church in full communion
please get in touch with the minister?

LESSON SERMON

First Church of Christ,
Scientist, Hongkong

The subject of the Lesson Sermon
in all Christian Science Churches to-
morrow, April 2, will be "Unreality."
The Golden Text will be: "I re-
move far from me vanity and lies;
give me neither poverty nor riches;
feed me with food convenient for
me." (Proverbs 30: 8.)

Among others the following citations
will be read from the Bible:—"Woe unto
them that seek deep to hide their counsel
from the Lord, and they say, Who shall
know us? Surely your turning of
things upside down shall be esteemed as
the potter's clay: for shall the work say
of him that made it, He had no under-
standing? Is it not yet a very little while,
and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruit-
ful field, and the fruitful field shall be
reckoned as forest? And in that day
shall the deaf hear the words of the book,
and the eyes of the blind shall see out
of obscurity, and out of darkness." (Isaiah
29: 15-18.)

The following citations will also be read
from the Christian Science Textbook:—"Sci-
ence & Health with Key to the Scrip-
tures by Mary Baker Eddy."—"Because
there is no might, Evil is but the counter-
part of nothingness. Error is the con-
dition of nothingness. Error is a belief
without understanding. Error is a belief
because untrue. It is that which seemeth
to be and is not. The divine demand
is ye therefore perfect, is scientific, and

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

April 1, 1889.
A destructive hurricane has passed
over Samoa. The German war-vessels
Adler, Olga, Vandalia, and Eber, and
the United States men-of-war Trenton
and Nipsic have been totally wrecked.
Nine German officers and eighty-seven
men, and four American officers and
forty-six men have been drowned.
The only vessel which escaped during
the hurricane was H.M.S. Calliope,
which put to sea.

April 1, 1914.
From to-day the handsome new rail-
way platforms on Kowloon Point have
come into use, and that being the case,
it is to be hoped that steps will at
once be taken to restore to public use
as a thoroughfare the portion of Balls-
bury Road, which has so long been
occupied by the permanent way.

10 YEARS AGO

April 1, 1929.
The Wuhan Aviation Association has
ordered five aeroplanes at a cost of
\$136,000 from the Ryan-Halloney works
at San Diego, the Kuomintang press
bureau here announced to-day.
The machine will be an exact
duplicate of the famous Spirit of St.
Louis in which Colonel Charles Lind-
bergh made his non-stop flight from
New York to Paris. The first of these
machines, the Spirit of Canton, already
is in China. Work on others is being
rushed to completion and they will be
shipped to China soon.

The Western Australian Airways are
sending a plane from Wyndham to
search for the crew of the Southern
Cross, who apparently lost their way
in blinding rain squalls when approach-
ing their destination. After several
hours cruising, they made a forced
descent in rugged and inhospitable
country. (Kingsford Smith and his
companions were lost for a fortnight.
—Ed.)

During the week-end, the King con-
tinued to take walking exercise in the
grounds of Craigwell House.

This morning he again listened to
the band which came over from Hogner
to play for him, and during the pro-
gramme he delighted the large crowd
of holiday-makers who had assembled
on the beach by walking to the edge
of Craigwell House sea wall and greet-
ing them.

5 YEARS AGO

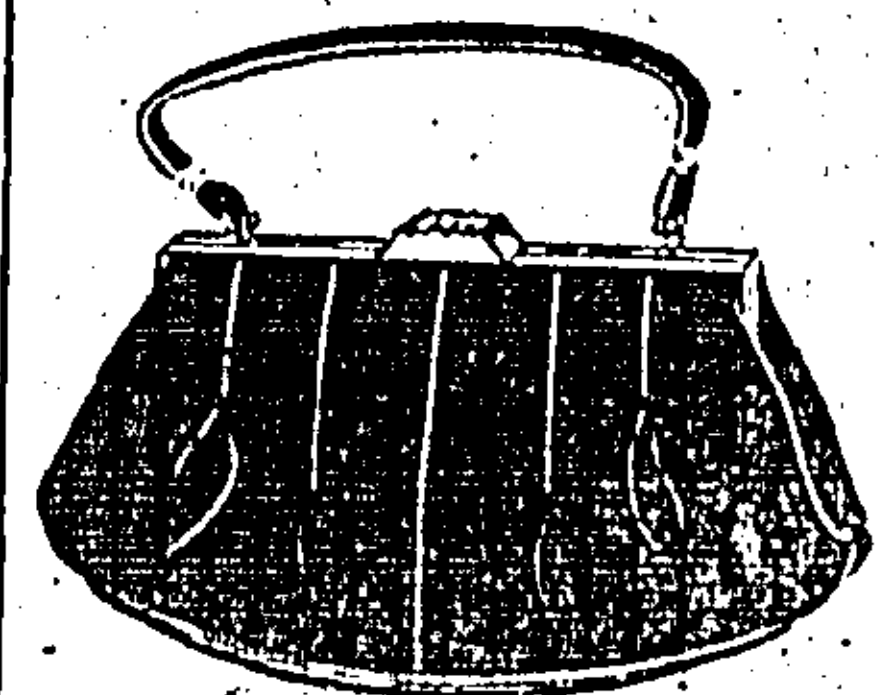
April 1, 1934.
Ip Yau, unemployed, pleaded guilty
before Mr. Hamilton, in the Central
Magistrate's Court, to a charge
concerning the theft of a suit-case
containing a dress suit, collar, tie,
links and studs, from a car in Jack-
son Road, the property of the Police
Judge, Mr. Justice Lindsay, on January
19 last. There was an alternative
charge of unlawful receiving against
the defendant. Detective Sergeant
Goodwin said some of the articles were
recovered, but the dress suit would not
be, as it was in Chinese custody. A
remand of 48 hours in police custody
was granted for enquiries.

the human footsteps leading to perfection
are indispensable. Individuals are con-
stantly who, watching and praying, can
"rum, and not be weary.... walk, and not
faint, who gain good rapidly and hold
their position, or attain slowly and yield
not to discouragement. When we wait
patiently on God and seek Truth
righteously, He directs our path." (Pages
307, 472 & 253).

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Orchestra; Lynwood—March (Ord
Hume); Prairie Flower—March (Ord
Hume)....The B.B.C. Wireless Mil-
itary Band cond. by B. WaltonThe River Run Dry
(Haines and Harper); Just Keepin'
On (Phillips)....Peter Dawson
(Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra.1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather
Report.1.03 Patricia Rossborough (Piano)
and Jimmy Dorsey and His Orchestra.The Ain't Right—Fox-Trot; The
Boston Tea Party—Fox-Trot; The
Jimmy Dorsey and His Orchestra
with Vocal Chorus; If I Love Again
(Oakland-Murray); Jill Drelling—
Selection....Patricia Rossborough
(Piano); You Never Looked So Beau-
tiful (from 'The Great Ziegfeld')....
Jimmy Dorsey and His Orchestra.The Two Talks—Selection; Rose
Marie—Selection....Patricia Ros-
sborough (Piano); Don't Look Now—
Fox-Trot; Parade of The Milk Bottle
Caps—Fox-Trot....Jimmy Dorsey
and His Orchestra.1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press,
Weather Forecast and Announce-
ments.1.44 Arthur Askey, Elsie and
Doris Walters, Max Miller and Ron-
nie Munro and His Orchestra.She's My Lovely—Fox-Trot (from
'Hide and Seek'); I'm Happy When
'You're Happy—Fox-Trot (from 'Hide
and Seek')....Ronnie Munro and His
Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Just
Another Sally (Carlton)....Max
Miller (Comedian) with Orchestra;
Sweet Genevieve—Fox-Trot; On The
Sunny Side Of The Rockies—Waltz
(Askey)....Arthur Askey (Comedian)
with Piano; Chicken Reel—Fox-Trot;
Bill The Fluter's Ball—Fox-Trot....
Ronnie Munro and His Orchestra;
Doris Walters and Arthur Askey (E. and
D. Walters); At The Court Of Good
Queen Bess (Elsie and E. and D.
Walters)....Elsie and Doris Walters
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2.15 Close Down

6.0 Glazounov—Scenes De Ballet.

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tions.6.30 Grieg—Peer Gynt—Incidental
Music.Vienna Symphony Orchestra with
Chorus conducted by Paul Keryb.6.45 London Relay—Oxford and
Cambridge Boat Race.

A commentary by John Snagge.

7.30 A Programme of English
Ballads.Come Sing To Me (Thompson);
The Sunshine Of Your Smile (Cocke-
ray)....Derek Oldham (Tenor) with
Orchestra; Just Me An' My Parr (Parr
and Murray); She Shall Have Music
(Brandon and Murray)....Dennis
Noble (Baritone) with Orchestra;
My Man (Adams); Whistle Me
Vill (Soprano) with Orchestra; The
Devout Lover (White); Joggin' Along
The Highway (Samuel)....Percy
Heming (Baritone) with Piano; Sink
Red Sun (Coleridge and del Riego);
Muriel Brunsell (Contralto) with
Orchestra; A Praise Of Ale (Cedric
Sharpe); Gentlemen, Good-Night
(Lockton and Longstaffe); Mal-
colm McEachern (Bass) with Piano.8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather
Report and Announcements.8.03 Selections from Musical
Comedy."The Fleet's Lit Up"—Selection (V.
Ellis-Cole Porter)....Gerald and
His London Hippodrome Orchestra;
"Cred of the Wave"—Haven Of Your
Heart (Novello)....Olive Gilbert
(Contralto) with Orchestra—Rose Of
England....Edgar Elmes (Baritone)
with Orchestra and Male Chorus;
"Nise Sharp"—Selection....The Lit-
tle Theatre Company with Two
Pianos and Drums; "Seeing Stars"
....Selection (John and Brown);
Debroy Somers Band with Vocalists.8.30 London Relay—"The Adven-
tures Of Alonzo McTavish" No. 3
'Lady In Danger'.Specially written for broadcasting
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8.50 London Relay—"London Log".

9.00 Local Spot Results.

9.02 Kilney (Piano) playing Cho-
pla—Grand Studies, Op. 10.Elude No. 3 in E Major; Elude No.
5 in G flat major ('Black Key');
Elude No. 8 in E flat minor; Elude
No. 10 in A flat major; Elude No. 12
in C minor ('Revolutionary').

9.15 B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra.

Overture "Fing's Cave" Op. 29
(Mendelssohn); Overture "Light
Cavalry" (Suppe)....conducted by
Adrian Boult.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Relay of the Dance Orchestra
from the Grill Room of the Hong
Kong Hotel.(a) Dueto Crillo; (b) Rodriguez
Pena; (c) Son Retozon; (d) Gloria
de Granada.10.05 Interval of recorded music
from ZBW.10.10 (a) This time it's real; (b)
There's Honey on the Moon to-night;
(c) My Own; (d) Pied Piper of
Hamelin Town.10.25 Interval of recorded music
from ZBW.10.35 (a) You go to my head; (b)
Harlem; (c) Loch Lomond; (d)
When the Heather Is in Bloom.10.50 Interval of recorded music
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11.0 (a) Tales from the Vienna; (b)
Le Bonheur qui passe; (c) On the
Hills Woods of Manchuria (d) Daisy.
11.15 Interval of recorded music
from ZBW.11.20 (a) Music Maestro please;
(b) My Walking Stick; (c) Now it
can be told; (d) Alexander's Rag-
time Band.11.35 Interval of recorded music
from ZBW.11.45 (a) Hello My Darling; (b)
Yes We have no Bananas; (c) A
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Major, K. 319.Edwin Fischer and His Chamber
Orchestra.12.35 Schumann—Eldes—Sym-
phonies, Op. 13 and Op. 10th.

Alfred Cortot at the Piano.

1.03 Heddle Nash (Tenor) and the
New Light Symphony Orchestra."Madam Butterfly"—Selection
(Puccini); The Fair Maid Of Perth
(Serenade) (Elzet)....Heddle Nash
(Tenor) with Orch.; Spanish Serenade
(Elzet); Spanish Dance, No. 1
(Moszkowsky)....New Light Sym-
phony Orchestra; "The Dubarry"
If I Am Dreaming (Millocker, arr.
Mackeben); "Helen"—The Shepherd's
Song (Offenbach, arr. Korngold)....
Heddle Nash (Tenor) with Orch.;
Narcissus (Nevin)....New Light
Symphony Orchestra.1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather
Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Bruch—Kol Nidrei, Op. 47.

Pau Casals (Cello) and The London
Symphony Orchestra conducted by
Sir Landon Ronald.

1.53 Verdi's "La Traviata" Act III.

Mercedes Capistr; Ida Conti;
Lionello Cecil; Carlo Galeffi; S. Ene-
Milan, with Orchestra.

2.30 Close down.

7.0 Georges Thill (Tenor) in a
French Programme.Les Sallimbanques—Overture
(Louis Ganne)....Orchestra Sym-
phonique Du Latetia Wagram cond.
by Fernand Heurteur; L'Attaque Du
Moulin (Alceus a la foret)
(Bruneau); Werther—O nature Pleine
Grace (Massenet)....Georges
Thill (Tenor) with Orchestra; Poeme
(Chausson, Op. 25)....Georges Enes-
co (Violin) with Stanford Schlusel
at the Piano.

7.30 Berlin Satto Opera Orchestra.

"The Bartered Bride" 2—Overture
(Smetana)....Hansgarian Rhapsody
(Liszt)...."Der Rosenkavalier"
(Strauss); Wedding Waltz (from 'Der
Schleier der Pierrette"—Ernst von
Dohnanyi).8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather
Report and Announcements.8.03 Relay of St. Teresa's Church
Choir under the direction of Profes-sor Guadri, with the Very Rev.
Father Rignati at the Organ. From
the Roman Catholic Cathedral.1. O Bone Jesu (Palestrina); 2. (a)
Sanctus (Palestrina) (b) Benedictus
(Palestrina); 3. Tenebrae Factae
Sunt (Croce); 4. Ovos Omnes (Vic-
toria); 5. Quando Corpus (Pergolesi);
...Choir; 6. Tantasia on Arius
from "Stabat Mater" (Rossini);
The Very Rev. Father Rignati at the
Organ; 7. "Stabat Mater" (Verdi)....
Choir.8.45 B.B.C. Recording—"National
Health".

A talk by Lord Horder.

D.O. Moselevitch at the Piano.

from "Tannhauser"—Overture (Wagner-
Liszt).9.15 London Relay—Sunday News
and Weekly Newsletter.9.30 Mozart—Quintet in D Major,
K. 593.Pro Arte Quartet (2nd—Viola:
Alfred Hobday).10.0 London Relay—"Cards on the
Table".An exchange of views between
speakers from different parts of the
Empire on the news of the day.10.20 Studio—Sunday Evening
Epilogue.The Rev. Father G. Byrne, S.J.
Subject: The Holy Spirit.

10.40 Close down.

PENNIES THAT
BECAME MILLIONS

(Continued from Page 8.)

Its existence, as he contributed all
the funds for its erection.BESIDES this outstanding contri-
bution to the cause of higher
education, Sir Hormusjee Mody
made many other donations to local
causes. Among these may be enu-
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scholarships to schools in Hongkong,
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greatly lamented, and the com-
munity united to express its pro-
found grief at his passing. The
Court of Hongkong University paid
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Archives of the University the
following statement: "Foremost
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generosity, the University of Hong-
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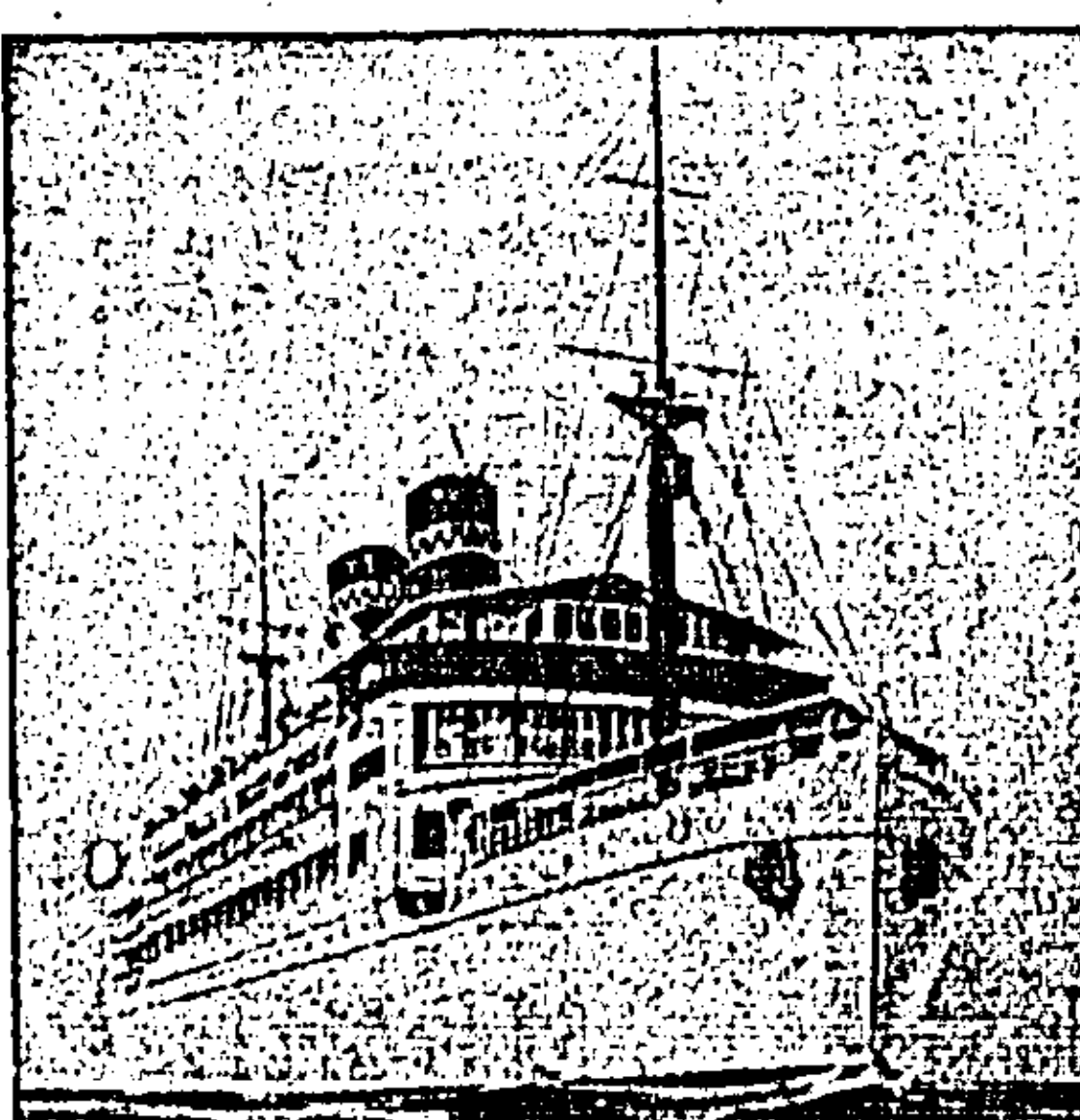
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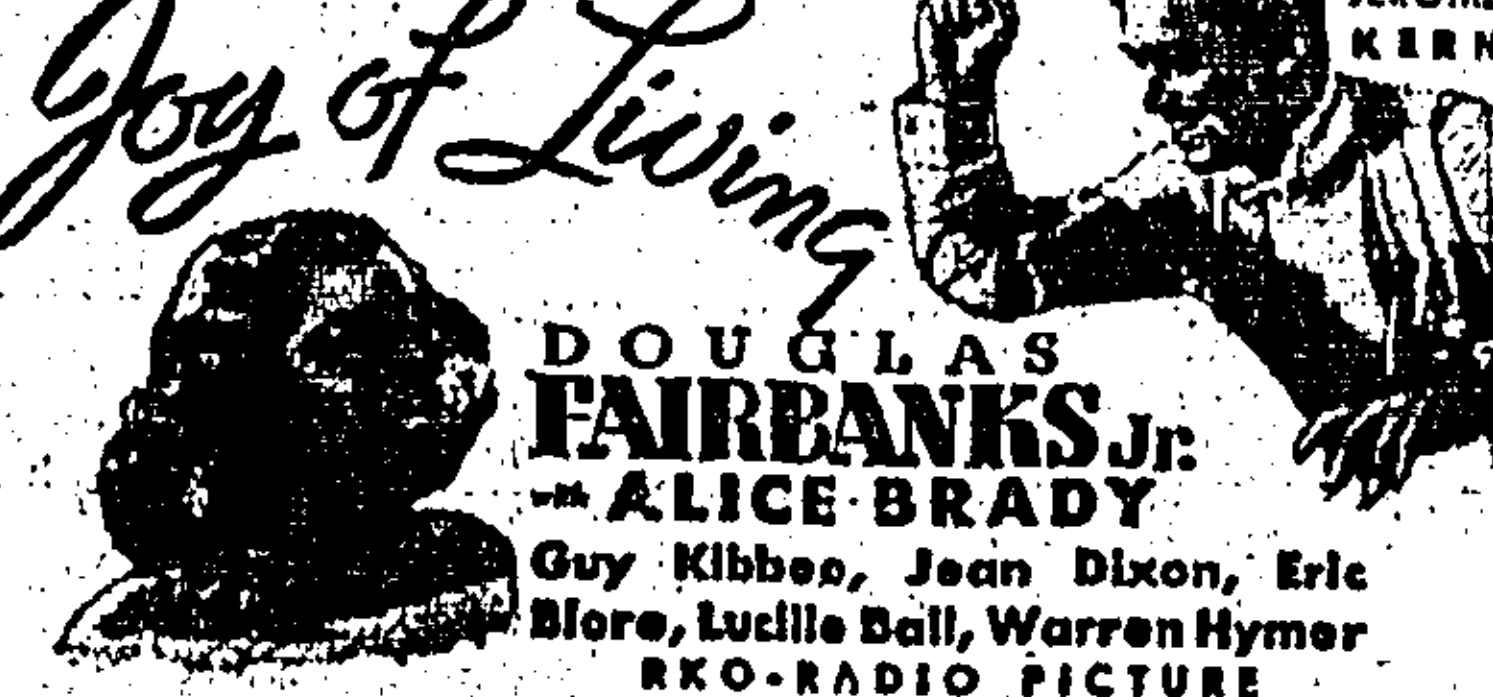
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LATE NEWS

H.K. REVENUE SOARING

More and more money is both coming into, and going out of the Government Treasury as month succeeds month. During February, for instance, revenue was up by \$280,000, while expenditure increased by half a million dollars.

While the Treasury's credit balance depreciated during the month by \$300,000, it yet remains at the imposing figure of \$14,221,825.07, according to the statement of revenue and expenditure up the end of February as published in the "Gazette" this morning.

Total revenue for the month was \$2,957,050.51, as compared with \$2,000,392.31 for February of last year. From January 1 to February 28, the Colony's total revenue was \$6,930,348.83 as compared with \$6,426,590.00 a year ago.

Nearly all revenue heads show increases for February, one of the most important being an advance of nearly \$200,000 on duties, and an increase of \$60,000 from licences and other internal revenue.

The Post Office showed an interesting increase of nearly \$20,000, totalling \$214,270.48 for the month, but rent of Government property, land and houses showed a decline of \$3,000, the total being \$52,778.30.

So far revenue for the year amounts to about one-fifth of the estimates for the whole of 1939, which suggests that the estimates will be fully realised by the end of December next.

But while revenue is highly satisfactory, expenditure has made considerable advances, the total for the year up to the end of February being \$6,270,758.12 as compared with \$5,620,022.32 for the same two months last year.

During February last expenditure amounted to \$3,276,026.93, which was an increase of \$573,000 over expenditure for February, 1938.

While charitable services took \$205,354.31 during the month compared with \$20,631.12 in February last year, the military contribution for the month also showed an increase of \$60,000, while police force expenditure advanced by nearly \$25,000.

On the other hand, expenditure on the education department substantially declined from \$421,160.75 in 1938 to \$154,825.22 this February.

A further heavy expenditure item which did not occur last year was \$433,790.29 for water works.

ASSASSINATION IN SOOCHOW

Shanghai, Mar. 31.—Reports from Soochow state that the Soochow representative of the new regime's People's Congress at Nanking, was assassinated in a tea house to-day.

It is stated that Japanese troops threw a cordon around the tea house in an effort to arrest the assassin, who is believed to have escaped.—United Press.

Internees Escape

Shanghai, Mar. 31.—It is reported that three Chinese soldiers have escaped from the "Doomed Battalion" camp.

Police officers and members of the Russian regiment which are guarding the camp, will neither confirm, nor deny the report.—United Press.

Kam Ranh Closed To Shipping

All ships, except French naval vessels, are forbidden to moor in the Bay of Kam Ranh or in the Bay of Binh Ba, except at specified points, says an official notice to mariners in the Indo-China Gazette.

All vessels are prohibited from passing beyond a line Rock of Da Nau, Points of the Mul-hon-lan look-out, Pointe of the Lookout, and Pointe Mulhara.

The warning to ships is published in the Hongkong Gazette to-day on the authority of the French Consul here.

Swiss Precautions

Zurich, Mar. 31.—It is learned that Switzerland is taking emergency precautions to guard all frontiers against a surprise attack.

All frontier mines are loaded while roads and bridges are being especially guarded.

It is understood that the precautions are much more extensive than those of last September.—United Press.

Slovak Agreement

Budapest, April 1.—The Hungarian and Slovak delegations met late last night and reached a general agreement for settlement of the new frontier.

They will meet again on Monday to work out the specific details.—United Press.

Polish Stand

Warsaw, Mar. 31.—Sources closely connected with the Government to-day said, "If Germany does not respect our frontiers we will fight."

Official circles greeted Mr. Chamberlain's declaration as a proclamation of "equal peace" for the east and west as compared with the Locarno Pact having favoured the west.

The Government and the public are gratified at Britain's recognition in principle.—United Press.

LADY LOSES FINGER

Mrs. R. B. Wood, of Wongneichong Road, Happy Valley, had to have one of her fingers amputated at the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday after she had caught it in the door of a car.

The Taisan will return to Hongkong from Macao at 6 p.m. tomorrow, instead of 6.30 as formerly scheduled.

Chamberlain—Lloyd George

London, Mar. 31.—After delivering his announcement in the House, Mr. Chamberlain received Mr. Lloyd George, who was British Prime Minister during the World War.—United Press.

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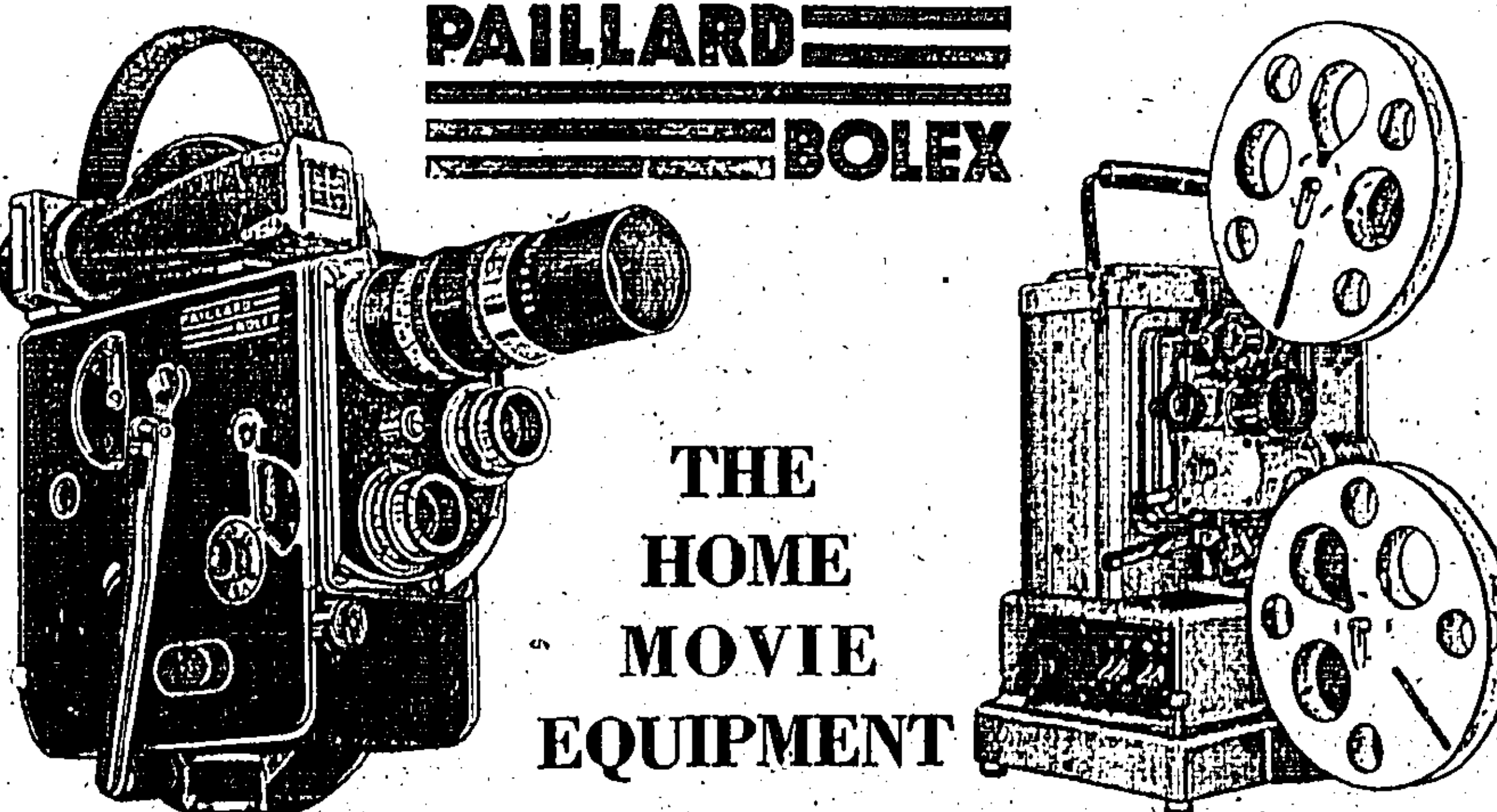
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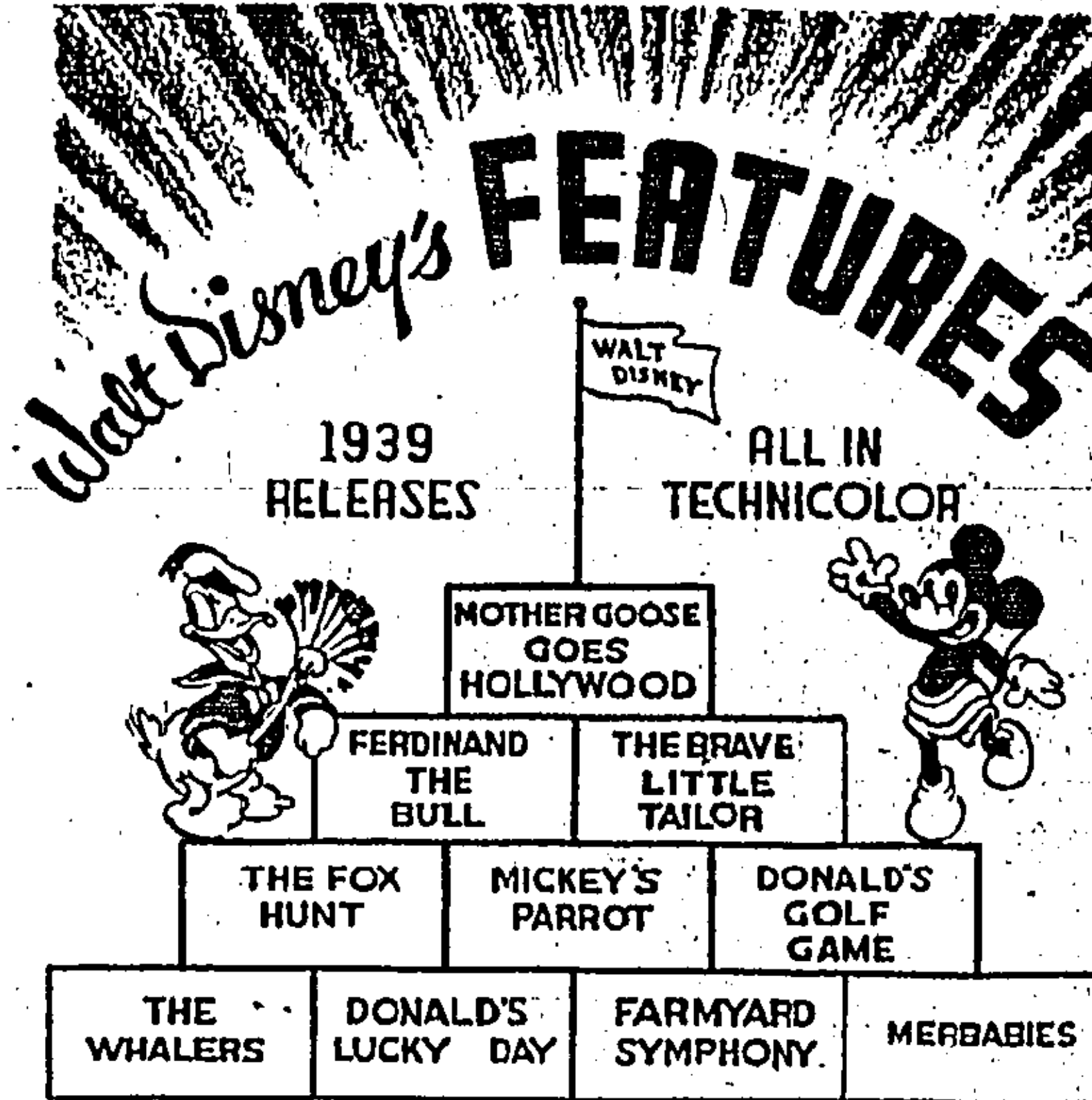
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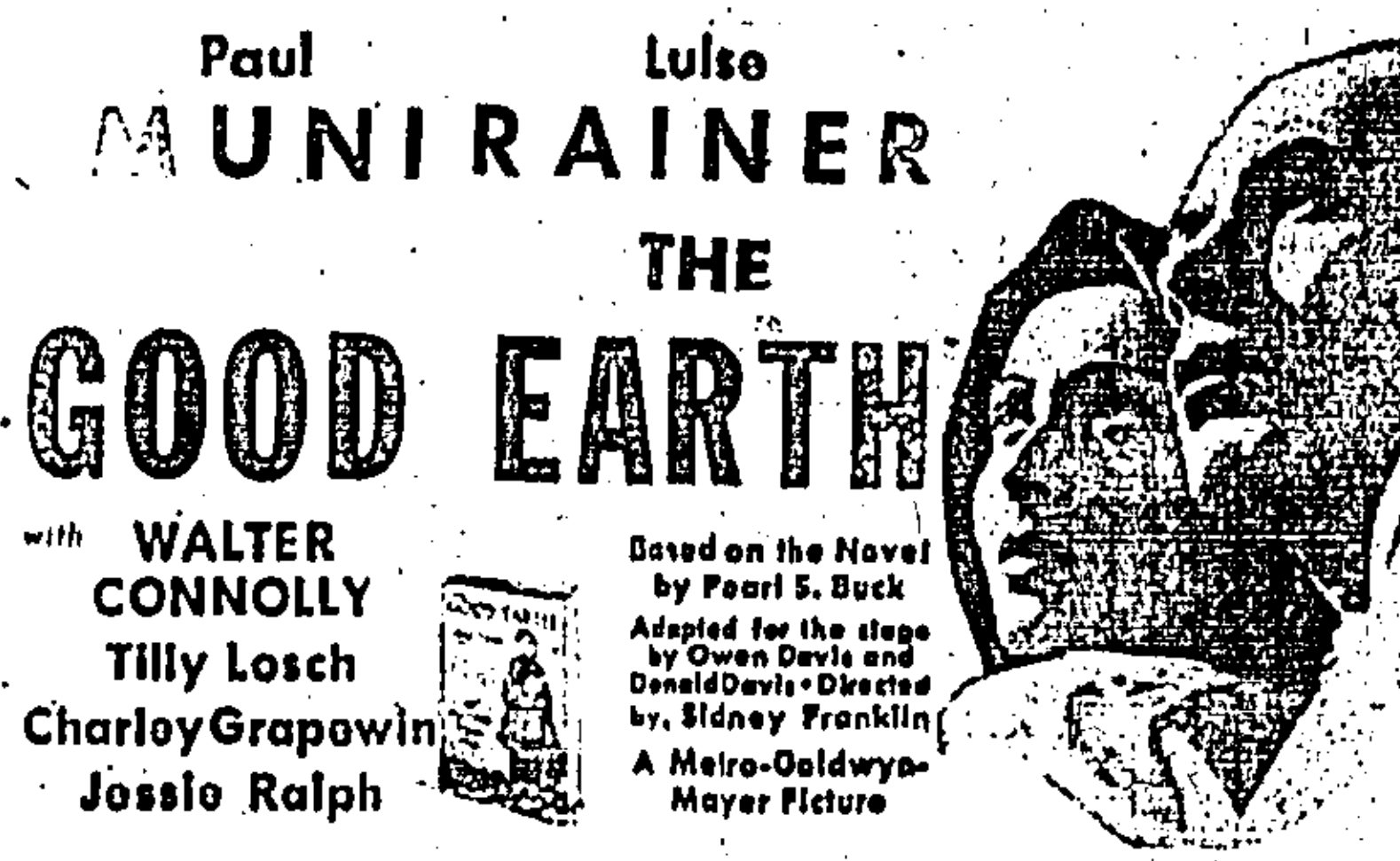
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